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# Arcata Fire's bold gamble

## Firefighters ask voters for higher fees, better service

**Kevin L. Hoover**
Mad River Union

NORTHERN HUMBOLDT – For the first time in nine years, the Arcata Fire Protection District (AFPD) is asking for a raise. Specifically, a new tax that would nearly double the rate that property owners within its assessment district pay for services.

This time, AFPD is going about it differently. In 2006, it gained approval for a benefit assessment via a mailed, non-secret ballot sent only to district property owners. Though it only needed a simple majority to pass, it gained 71 percent approval.

Arcata Fire will place a new fire-specific "Special Tax" measure on the general ballot

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ATALANTA VICTORY RACE



**FUN & FIT** Hundreds of women turned out Sunday, May 10 for the annual Atalanta Victory Run in Arcata. Sponsored by the Six Rivers Running Club, the Mother's Day race included a 2-mile and 8K event under mostly sunny skies. Racers had the option of competing in mother/daughter teams. At top, Humboldt Roller Derby members help get the race started.

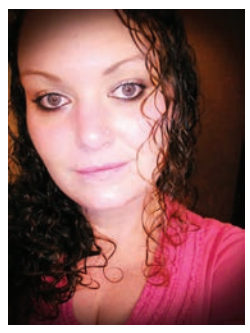
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# Quick arrest in fatal home invasion robbery

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ARCATA – A 38-year-old Arcata man was killed Saturday night, May 9 during a home invasion robbery. This is the sixth homicide this year in Humboldt County.

The victim's name had not been released as the *Union* went to press late Monday. A suspect in the robbery, Kimberly Lyn Steele, 28, of Samoa, was arrested Sunday afternoon on suspicion of robbery. Additional suspects are being investigated.



Kimberly Lyn Steele

At about 11:12 p.m., Arcata Police received a 911 call reporting a shooting that had just occurred in the 2000 block of Eastern Avenue, located in the Sunset Avenue area neighborhood north of Shay Park.

Arcata Police officers responded to the residence along with officers from the Humboldt State University Police Department. Upon the officers' arrival they discovered a 38-year-old victim suffering from what appeared to be a gunshot wound in the left shoulder. The victim was unconscious and life-saving efforts were administered. The victim was transported to Mad River Community Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

Further investigation revealed that a

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❖ NOTHING TO 'SMILE' ABOUT PART 3

# And your point would be...?

*Note: In previous installments, we defined the continuing problem with verbal harassment of women on Arcata's streets. This week, we wrap the series with a look at resources for abating the problem. – Ed.*

**Kevin L. Hoover**
Mad River Union

ARCATA – Do the men who say stuff to women really expect them to respond positively, or become interested in them?

The consensus seems to be no. Bottom line, it's verbal vandalism, and mostly about power and intimidation. Especially since the come-ons are so patently unappealing. Yelling, it turns out, is not the most effective seduction tool.

"They may think that they're being charming by saying, 'Hey, beautiful,' but they're doing it in such a rough way," downtowner Christina DeGiovanni said. "I don't want to be catcalled in an abrasive manner."

"The transients will literally scream at you from a block away. No woman likes that," DeGiovanni said. "You're never going to pick up a woman and take her home with, 'YOU'RE SEXY!'"

A non-profit organization called "Stop Street Harassment Now" focuses on documenting and ending gender-based street harassment worldwide. It offers a number of awareness-raising and education resources at *stopstreetharassment.org*.

The limitation there is that education only works for the educable, awareness on the aware, rational arguments for the rational.

DeGiovanni said one clueless commenter in whom she was clearly not interested in followed her for a block, keeping up a steady stream of pointless imprecations.

"A rational human would understand that you're not into it," she said.

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# Irked Ferrer hounds prosecutor

**Paul Mann**
Mad River Union

HUMBOLDT – Seated on the witness chair for the fourth time in two weeks, Arcata murder suspect Juan Joseph Ferrer again upstaged his lawyer last Friday, May 8 with verbal sallies of his own against the prosecutor's line of questioning.



Douglas Anderson-Jordet

When Deputy District Attorney Roger C. Rees cornered Ferrer on inconsistencies in his lengthy testimony and statements to police, the defendant shot back so many defiant queries that Superior Court Judge John C. Feeney ordered Ferrer to confine himself to answering questions, not asking them.

"Questions go one way," Feeney instructed.

Ferrer would prove unrepentant as his exchanges with Rees drew on.

Shortly before court adjourned last Friday, Rees fixed on the suspect's alleged inconsistencies surrounding the stabbing death of Abruzzi chef Douglas Anderson-Jordet, 50, in the early morning hours of Nov. 25, 2013.

Ferrer balked the first time when asked if his two companions that night, Sophie Rocheleau and Nicholas Stoiber, had "put

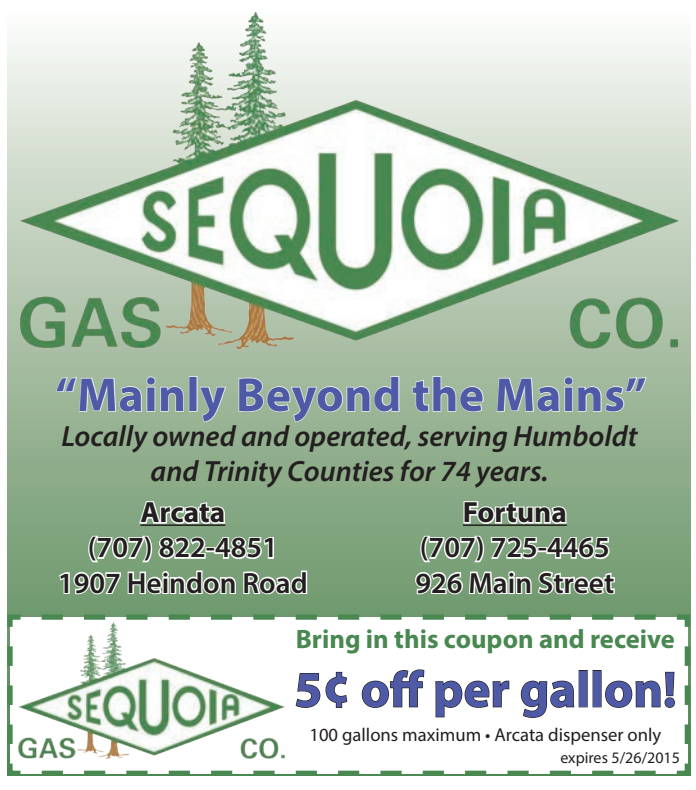
FERRER ❖ A4

***The defense rested on Monday, May 11 in the Juan Joseph Ferrer second-degree murder trial, as the Union went to press. Jury instructions and closing arguments were scheduled for today, May 13, to be followed by jury deliberations. Visit* madriverunion.com *for updates.***







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*So often we become so focused on the finish line that we fail to enjoy the journey.*

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❖ HUMBOLDT STATE

# Bolman claims discrimination, files suit

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HUMBOLDT – The case of *Jacquelyn Bolman vs. Humboldt State* still reverberates through the university's politics and culture, and as of May 7, it has entered the legal arena.


Jacquelyn Bolman

Bolman has filed suit against the California State University Board of Trustees, HSU president Lisa Rossbacher, Interim Provist Jenny Zorn, Human Resources Vice President Colleen Mullory and Associate Vice President Radha Webley and other unnamed university personnel. Her lawsuit, filed by Eureka attorney Peter E. Martin, alleges wrongful termination, retaliation, discrimination, violation of due process, and failure to prevent discrimination and retaliation.

The lawsuit asks for a jury trial. It demands Bolman's reinstatement, attorney's fees and various damages to be determined during the trial.

The complaint cites Bolman's well-documented October 2014 termination by HSU officials over statements she made about the university to the National Science Foundation's Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation (LSAMP), which the university claimed misrepresented it.

But the lawsuit alleges that, "In fact, Bolman was terminated for her long history of opposition to discrimination against people of color by [former HSU President Rollin] Richmond and the HSU administration," as well as her report to LSAMP.

A number of incidents are cited to support what the lawsuit alleges was "a campaign to dismantle, undermine and eliminate longstanding programs at HSU that benefitted Native American students" conducted by Richmond from 2005 to June, 2014. Among them are various remarks made by Richmond about Bolman and the Native American Studies (NAS) program, as well as various professional slights such as her lack of promotion or pay increase over nine years of employment.

A cause of action listed in support of the lawsuit is her lack of promotion and termination based on racial discrimination and association with Native Americans.

Martin said he and Bolman have no further comment at this time.

# Doctors hope for cannabis cures

**Paul DeMark**
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – When California voters passed the nation's first medical marijuana law in 1996, commonly known as Proposition 215, it marked a kind of full-circle trip for marijuana, aka cannabis.

At the Medicinal Cannabis Conference held recently at the Arcata Community Center, Dr. Donald Abrams gave a short history of the herb's use through time.

He said that cannabis is one of the oldest known psychoactive plants first used as a medicine 3,000 years ago. Abrams is the chief of hematology-oncology at San Francisco General Hospital and a professor of clinical medicine at the University of San Francisco.

Cannabis was introduced into Western medicine in the 1840s and promoted for its positive analgesic (pain relieving), sedative, anti-inflammatory, antispasmodic and anti-convulsant properties. Abrams said, "Interest waned in the early 1900s with the advent of opiates, barbiturates, aspirin and syringes."

In 1970, the U.S. government placed marijuana on Schedule 1 of the Controlled Substances Act along with heroin, LSD, mescaline, methaqualone and others. This meant that it was considered a "substance has no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States."

Abrams experienced firsthand the positive effects of marijuana on a partner who had AIDS from 1986 to 1989. His partner died of AIDS in 1989 after choosing not to take AZT – the only anti-retroviral drug available then – under Abrams' recommendation because he considered it destructive to the body. "But he found benefit from smoking cannabis, which he did daily," Abrams said.

Abrams decided to try to get approval for a clinical trial for marijuana use for AIDS patients from the National Institute on Drug Abuse. It took five years, but he finally obtained approval of a $1 million grant to study medicinal uses of marijuana at San Francisco General Hospital.

The 25-day inpatient trial took place at the General Clinical Research Center. It concluded that marijuana was effective in treating HIV-related peripheral neuropathy, which is a painful nerve condition.

Abrams said the accumulated data indicate a potential therapeutic value for cannabinoid drugs for pain relief, control of nausea and vomiting and appetite stimulation.

Research has shown that marijuana contains more than 400 chemical compounds, Abrams said. The main psychoactive component is believed to be delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC). But the Cannabidiol (CBD) compound is considered to have a wider scope of medical applications than (THC).

Research is showing many patients prefer medicine that is high in CBD and lower in the psychoactive THC.

Dr. Kevin Spelman, another keynote speaker at the Medicinal Cannabis Conference, is an expert on the molecular biology and clinical therapeutics of botanical medicines.

"Medicinal plants have been my research for 30 years," Spelman said during a recent phone interview. "The research is showing that cannabis is effective in treating multiple sclerosis, general pain, nausea and epileptic seizures." Of course, others are researching its preventative and healing properties for different kinds of cancer.

For instance, Spelman said, he personally observed a case in which a physician had glioblastoma, a type of brain cancer, and the physician approached other physicians for advice.

"His oncologist said, 'We don't have much'." He was a conservative guy who disapproved of marijuana, Spelman said. But his wife, with a more open-minded view of cannabis, urged him to try it. "He did and over three months' time the cancerous cells in his brain were greatly diminished. But he stopped using the cannabis and the cancer came back."

Spelman is optimistic that, with more research, cannabis will be found to have many medicinal uses.

"I think there will be an antidepressant that activates CB1 receptors," he said. However, he urged caution. "We are in the glory days of medicinal research for cannabis, but it has a downside like doing too much of anything. We need more understanding of the long-term effects of THC on the developing brain."

Time and research will also reveal whether cannabis will prove to be effective in treating many other medical issues such as joint problems, depression, glaucoma, insomnia, asthma, sickle cell disease, Alzheimer's disease and post-traumatic stress syndrome. There are many people who believe all of these conditions are already being helped by cannabis.

Spelman has seen a change in attitudes of medical doctors over the years toward medicinal uses of herbs, including cannabis.

"I've been involved in the medicinal uses of plants for 30 years," Spelman said. "I've gone from having doctors hang up on me when I talk to them about this to now where they are calling me for advice. "

# Wet dog, missing man & happy ending

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KING SALMON – A search and rescue effort was launched Sunday, May 10 in King Salmon after a dog returned home soaking wet without its owner, which prompted fears that the man could have fallen into the ocean. But it turned out the dog-walking man was OK.

The Humboldt County Sheriff's office received a report Sunday afternoon regarding a 70-year-old male who was missing from his residence located off Buhne Drive, King Salmon. It was reported by neighbors that he had left his residence in the morning with his dog.

Several hours later, his dog returned home soaking wet. The neighbors stated this was out of character for their neighbor's dog to come home by himself. The neighbors were concerned because at times their neighbor gets easily disoriented.

The Sheriff's Office immediately responded to the area and called out search and rescue personnel to assist in the search. The Sheriff's Office contacted the Coast Guard, who assigned a helicopter to assist in the search because of the concern the missing person may have fell into the ocean.

At about 3:47 p.m., the Coast Guard helicopter located the missing man walking north on the railroad tracks between PG&E and Herrick Avenue. The Coast Guard directed search and rescue members to the location where they were able to contact the subject.

The man was then transported back to his residence and was not in need of any medical attention.

His three neighbors told search and rescue members they would take care of him and check up with him on a regular basis.

# Homicide | Marijuana-related case

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marijuana-related home invasion robbery had occurred and the victim was shot by the intruders.

The suspects are described as two white male adults, possibly in their 20s, wearing dark clothing. The other suspect, Steele, was taken from her home in Samoa for questioning Sunday, then arrested on suspicion of robbery.

Arcata Police Chief Tom Chapman said Monday that Steele's involvement in the robbery is still being investigated.

As for the other two suspects, Chapman said "we have viable leads that we're following."

The residence on Eastern Avenue was not a grow house, but "It's clear to us this is a drug ripoff scenario," Chapman said.

"There was some kind of relationship between these people," Chapman said.

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# Styrofoam banned

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ARCATA – The Arcata City Council last week unanimously approved introduction of an ordinance that will phase out expanded polystyrene, popularly known as Styrofoam, in Arcata *(see Legal Notices, page B5)*.

The ordinance will likely be adopted at the council's May 20 meeting, and will go into effect Oct. 1. It will prohibit food vendors from using Styrofoam cups, bowls, trays, plates, cartons, clamshell to-go boxes, ice chests or coolers. Pre-packaged foods such as ramen noodles are excepted. There is also a hardship clause for any vendors who have to use up large stockpiles of the plastic foam containers.

While use of the polystyrene containers tends to be for a short period, the disposed-of material persists for many years in the environment. City research indicates that polystyrene is comprises 15 percent of the waste found in storm drains.

Of 71 Arcata food service establishments contacted by the city, just one opposed the ban.

Letters in support of the ban were sent in by the Zero Waste Humboldt, and another co-signed by the Northcoast Environmental Center, Humboldt Baykeeper. The American Chemistry submitted a letter extolling polystyrene's benefits and downplaying environmental concerns.

❖ TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES

# How accurate is the Sheriff's lie detector?

**Jack Durham**
Mad River Union

EUREKA – The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office is planning to purchase another Computer Voice Stress Analyzer (CVSA), a computer program that claims to be an effective lie detector.

But several scientific studies indicate that the technology is about as effective as flipping a coin when it comes to determining whether someone is telling the truth or not. The technology is largely unproven, with much of the evidence cited in its favor being anecdotal.

However, Sheriff Mike Downey says that the CVSA is a useful tool, particularly when it comes to pre-employment screening. The CVSA will point out when a job applicant appears to answer a question deceptively, Downey said. This allows the topic to be further researched.


Mike Downey

Downey said the department now has a CVSA with two trained operators. The new purchase will allow the department to buy the newest software and train two additional employees on how to use the program. This will help the department as it prepares to fill 30 positions with the money it may receive from Measure Z, the half-cent sales tax approved by voters last November to fund public safety.

Purchase of the $13,500 CVSA was unanimously approved by the Board of Supervisors May 5. The item appeared on the board's consent calendar, and was voted upon without discussion or comment.

### 'An effective tool'

Downey made an argument for purchasing the CVSA in a staff report to the Board of Supervisors. Much of the language in the report, including entire sentences, is lifted directly from the website of the company that sells the CVSA – the National Institute for Truth Verification, Federal Services (NITV – FS), based in West Palm Beach, Florida.

The staff report states that CVSA is "an effective tool in all investigative situations such as homicide, sex crimes, robbery, white collar crimes, and internal affairs investigations, as well as pre-employment examinations for background investigators. The system has also proven itself a very reliable tool for verifying statements of witnesses, denials of suspects, and for determining the validity of allegations made against police officers."

Downey's staff report continues, "The CVSA records, quantifies and analyzes frequency changes in the human voice. During the CVSA examination process, the instrument identifies vocal stress related to specific issues under investigation. It has been established that consequence-based stress can be detected in the human voice using the CVSA, which can be directly correlated to truth and deception. The CVSA has a remarkably low error rate (less than 1/2 percent), has no inconclusive results, and far surpasses the validity and reliability of the old polygraph."

"A state-of-the-art computer processes these voice frequencies and graphically displays a picture of the voice patterns," the staff report states. "The CVSA® is not restricted to 'yes' and 'no' answers and is able to analyze accurately, tape recordings of unstructured conversations."

"Introduced into the law enforcement community in 1988, the original analog CVSA® became an instant success at every agency that purchased it, solving crimes that, in some cases, had languished for years (cold cases). In other cases, individuals that were either untestable or had been called 'inconclusive' on the old polygraph agreed to take a CVSA® exam and subsequently confessed to their crimes. With such results, it wasn't long before word-of-mouth spread the CVSA®'s reputation like wild-fire in the law enforcement community. Today's CVSA® has been digitized and incorporated into a powerful multi-functional notebook computer. The latest version of the CVSA® enjoys the reputation of being the most effective investigative tool to be introduced into the law enforcement community within the past three decades," the staff report states.

### 'No better than flipping a coin'

Although Downey and the company claim that CVSA is effective, scientific studies indicate the technology is unreliable at best, and pure quackery at worse.

A study conducted by the National Institute of Justice, an agency of the U.S. Department of Justice, showed two of the most popular voice stress measurement programs used by police departments in the U.S. have results no better than flipping a coin. One of the programs tested was the CVSA that is being purchased by the Sheriff's Office.

In the study, researchers questioned 300 arrestees about their recent drug use using a voice stress analyzer. The results of the analyzer were then compared to the results of drug tests of the arrestees.

An article written by Kelly R. Damphousse, Ph.D. on the National Institute of Justice website explains the results of the study:

"• Deceptive respondents. Fifteen percent who said they had not used drugs – but who, according to their urine tests, had — were correctly identified by the VSA programs as being deceptive.

"• Nondeceptive respondents. Eight and a half percent who were telling the truth – that is, their urine tests were consistent with their statements that they had or had not used drugs — were incorrectly classified by the VSA programs as being deceptive.

"Using these percentages to determine the overall accuracy rates of the two VSA programs, we found that their ability to accurately detect deception about recent drug use was about 50 percent."

The same study, however, found that having such a lie detector device tends to deter deception.

"[A]rrestees who were questioned using the VSA instruments were less likely to lie about illicit drug use compared to arrestees whose responses were recorded by the interviewer with pen and paper," Damphousse wrote.

Other studies of CVSA have revealed similar results.

But Downey said that the Sheriff's Office does not interpret the CVSA results as conclusive.

Downey compared the CVSA results to a building block. If the program indicates that someone is being deceptive, then that issue is further examined. But the results of just the CVSA are not used to determine whether someone should be hired.

"They're not conclusive by any means," Downey said.

Downey said the Sheriff's Office is mandated to do a full background check on applicants, and the CVSA it a useful tool in that process.

The CVSA is now used about two to five times a week, but that will increase with the Measure Z hiring that's about to begin, according to Downey.

It's used much less in criminal cases, he said.

❖ MARIJUANA MATTERS

# Board of supes approves regional cannabis policy

**Daniel Mintz**
Mad River Union

HUMBOLDT – North Coast county governments have banded together to draft a policy statement on marijuana regulation that emphasizes local control.

Representatives of six counties – Humboldt, Mendocino, Trinity, Del Norte, Lake and Sonoma – met in an early March regional summit to develop consensus on general aspects of marijuana policy in the context of expanded legalization.

The aim is to influence state legislation and the resulting marijuana policy statement was unanimously approved by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors at its May 5 meeting. Board Chair Estelle Fennell, one of the county's representatives at the summit, explained the statement's key aspects. "The big issue for us is local control and to a degree, the state's requirements and its duties to take the statewide approach," she said.

That concept relates to the statement's four areas of focus – local control, revenue and taxation, environmental protection and economics.

Supervisor Mark Lovelace organized the summit and joined Fennell in representing the county. He highlighted the advice given by the summit's keynote speaker, Colorado attorney David Baumgarten and said North Coast counties are united in their desire to have state legislation specify the role of local authority.

"Any place that local governments want to maintain local control, the legislation really should be explicit in stating that and not just stay mute on it," Lovelace said.

The policy statement lobbies for local control of business licensing, local taxes, land use regulations and regulating – or prohibiting – cultivation and "establishment of dispensaries in certain areas."

Environmental protection is also highlighted and the statement lobbies for "best management practices" to be included in new regulations.

The statement's section on economics recommends that the state provide funding "to mitigate negative effects" of legalization on local economies and to implement education, research and abuse prevention programs.

During public comment, Richard Marks, the executive director of California Cannabis Voice Humboldt (CCVH), said his group supports the statement and believes that the state should treat marijuana as an agricultural product regulated through the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

Sequoia, the treasurer for CCVH and also the Emerald Growers Association, said the latter group also favors the statement but she offered a suggestion – to remove the word "marijuana" from the statement and replace it with the more scientific and politically-correct name, "cannabis."

Supervisor Rex Bohn joined the unanimous vote – with a caveat. He said regulation has diminished the timber and fishing industries and he expects it will have the same effect on the local marijuana industry.

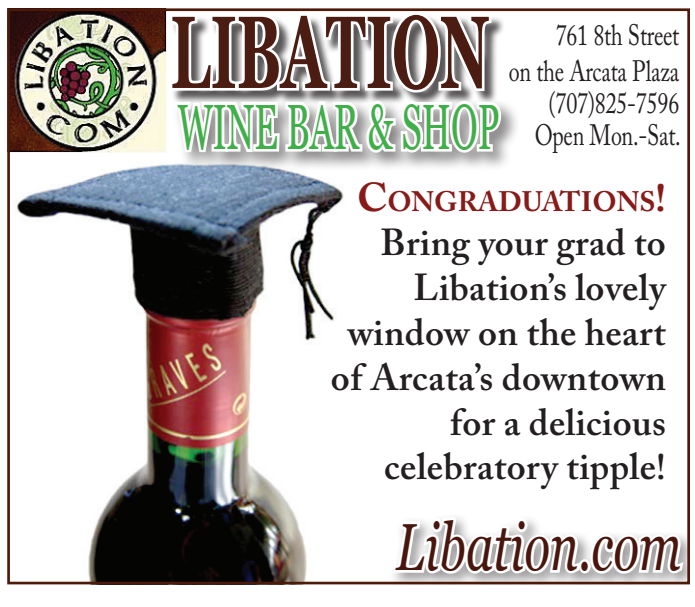
"It's going to be, be careful what you ask for," he said.

**GARDEN CLUB CONCLAVE** The district meeting of Humboldt District of California Garden Clubs, Inc.(CGCI) will be hosted by Patrick's Point Garden Club (PPCG) and Heather Enthusiasts of the Redwood Empire (HERE) on Tuesday, May 19 at the Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. followed by the business meeting at 10 a.m. with District Director Janean Guest of Fortuna. The program by Blaine Maynor of Orchids for the People, 1975 Blake Rd., McKinleyville, will be a presentation on "Hardy and Cold-tolerant Orchids" for our climate. PPGC includes members from Patrick's Point to Bayside. Guests are welcome, but RSVP by calling (707) 839-3020.





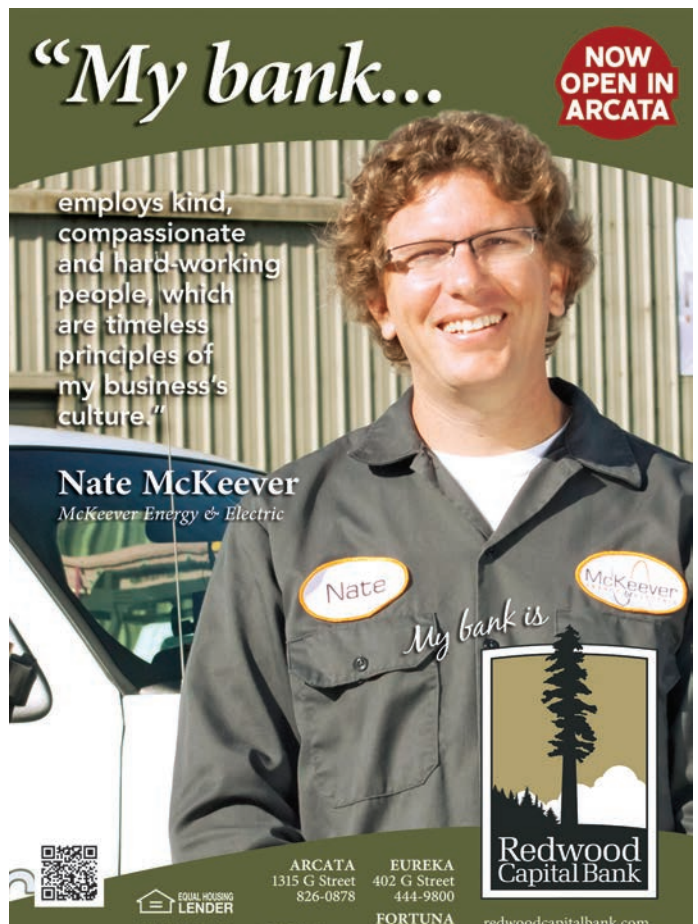








# Pathologists diverge in Ferrer case

**Paul Mann**
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – State and defense pathologists who testified at the Juan Joseph Ferrer murder trial disagreed on two key points: the odds that the victim, Douglas Anderson-Jordet, could have been saved by doctors from a puncture wound to the heart and whether he could have fallen on Ferrer's knife accidentally.

The 30-year forensic pathologist who conducted Anderson-Jordet's autopsy for the state, Dr. Mark Super of Sacramento, voiced confidence that if a hospital had been only a mile or so away from the crime scene (11th and H streets, Arcata) and skilled medical attention had been administered within an hour or so, the victim might have survived, despite the depth of the wound, which Super measured at 3.5 inches.

Disagreeing sharply, Dr. Terri Haddix of Forensic Analytical Sciences, an independent laboratory in Hayward, that specializes in criminal evidence investigations, was far more skeptical. She was not present at the post-mortem, but reviewed the autopsy report and photographs and the ancillary records, including those of the crime scene.

Testifying at the request of defense counsel Marek I. Reavis, Haddix said the stricken Anderson-Jordet, treated by emergency aides at 12th and H streets, would have to have been in the immediate vicinity of an operating room – maybe a hundred feet away, literally, if he were to have had a remote chance of reviving.

Even then, she added, the victim's survival would have been "utterly amazing."

As to the timeliness of emergency action, Haddix contradicted Super outright. "No, not an hour," she said. Anderson-Jordet would have had to receive "immediate attention of a surgical nature even to have a prayer of surviving this."

Haddix and Super also differed, to an extent, on the likelihood that Anderson-Jordet fell on the knife rather than being stabbed. Both testified that an autopsy by itself cannot establish whether a victim fell on a knife or not. But Haddix held out the possibility that the stabbing was accidental, while Super was decidedly skeptical.

"Falling on a knife doesn't ever make sense" unless it is in a fixed position and immobile, Super testified.

Referring to the fatal puncture of Anderson-Jordet's heart to a depth of 3.5 inches, he continued, "I wouldn't expect a wound this deep if it [the knife] had been held loosely" by the assailant, rather than in a firm grip.

Unpersuaded, Haddix said accidental death from a fall was at least one plausible scenario. Why?

Haddix pointed out that multiple stab wounds are far more common than a single puncture in a murder. She explained that a lone wound "is kind of unusual if there is an intent to kill." A knife-wielding perpetrator is more likely to stab again and again.

Her testimony lent credence to Ferrer's claim of accidental death, versus Super's — and the prosecution's — emphatic doubts. Haddix did agree with her counterpart, however, that it is impossible to judge in a post-mortem the relative physical positions of either party to a stabbing. Investigation determines only the pathway of the wound. It cannot capture the external dynamics of the encounter — gestures, postures, body movements, swaying motions or how the weapon was held, e.g., with elbow locked or the arm straight out or both, and so on.

Nor can pathologists ascertain the absolute degree of force or pressure applied.

What the post-mortem does reveal is the angle of the wound, according to Haddix. As seen from Anderson-Jordet's point of view, the stabbing angle transected his chest wall at 30 degrees left to right and 30 degrees bottom to top. The right ventricle of the heart was pierced.

Predictably, the state's pathologist gave weight to the prosecution's contention that Ferrer stabbed Anderson-Jordet to death with intent, while the defense pathologist lent credibility to the argument that Ferrer intended only to deter him, not kill him, in the wee hour scuffle. Did the doctors cancel one another out in the jury's view, or was one more persuasive than the other?

Pathologists aside, no witnesses to date — including Ferrer's girlfriend, Sophie Rocheleau — have testified that Ferrer told them afterward he stabbed Anderson-Jordet accidentally. In fact, Rocheleau said she didn't see the knife, period, nor did she see Anderson-Jordet punch Ferrer. She recalled it was the other way around – Ferrer punched Anderson-Jordet.

Ferrer claims he told his companions that night, Rocheleau and Nicholas Stoiber, "I think I may have stabbed him," not "I accidentally stabbed him."

As the trial heads into its fourth week of testimony, it appears the jury will be left to decide the eternal conundrum of human intent and its unyielding ambiguities – a hallmark of courtroom dramas as well as of Shakespearean ones.

# Rent control fight continues in McK

**Jack Durham**
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McKINLEYVILLE – Having been notified that their rents will increase this summer, some residents of Ocean West Mobile Village are renewing their calls for something to be done to protect renters in mobile home parks.

Ocean West resident Hilary Mosher stated in an email last week that residents of the park on Murray Road had just received a notice informing them that their rents will go up in 90 days. According to Mosher, her rent increase will be 6.28 percent. For some other residents, the space rent will go up from 8 to 10 percent, Mosher stated.

The park is in escrow with Inspire Communities, and residents are concerned that the new park owner will jack up rates even more after the sale goes through.

Residents at other parks are also concerned. A resident of Azalea Senior Park in McKinleyville told the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (McKMAC) at its meeting April 29 that her rents have increased by $200 over the past two years.

Both that resident and Mosher urged the McKMAC to take action, by either recommending a rent control ordinance or the reinstatement of the Mobile Home Park Dispute Resolution Committee to the Board of Supervisors.

The McKMAC rejected the idea of recommending rent control earlier this year. The McKMAC considered, as an alternative, asking the Board of Supervisors to reinstate the dispute resolution committee. But on March 25, the McKMAC voted 3-2 against doing so.

Opponents of having the committee reinstated said that there were no issues in dispute for the committee to consider.

Representing the Humboldt Mobile Home Residents Coalition, Mosher sent an email last week to McKMAC Chair Ben Shepherd asking that the committee reconsider the matter.

The McKMAC is a county advisory committee. It can make recommendations, but does not have any authority beyond that.

The coalition also went before the county's Human Rights Commission May 7 and received support. The coalition is also planning to address the Board of Supervisors directly and ask for help.

# Ferrer | 'He was stabbed, yes, but it wasn't intentional'

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a beat down" on Anderson-Jordet for insulting them unprovoked.

"That's not language I would use," Ferrer answered.

"You wouldn't?" Rees exclaimed in mock surprise.

"Not necessarily, no."

"You like to say fuck a lot, don't you?" Rees challenged.

Ferrer retorted, "Are you going to ask me questions or just sit there and put me down?" He retreated instantly, answering "Yes, absolutely, I use it [the word fuck] when I'm happy and when I'm sad."

But putting "a beat down" on Anderson-Jordet "is nothing I would say," Ferrer repeated.

Promptly shifting gears, Rees turned to the subject of why Ferrer pulled out a knife. He asked if Ferrer thought about the consequences as he brandished it. "I was just thinking about defending myself and Sophie," Ferrer replied.

Rees swept on to the discrepancy between Ferrer's current trial testimony and his second statement to Arcata Police on Dec. 4, 2013. Ferrer was interviewed at St. Joseph Hospital by Acting Sergeant Chris Ortega the afternoon following the suspect's arrest at his grandmother's home in Arcata. Ferrer was being treated for heart palpitations.

Rees fixed on the fact that Ferrer omitted to inform Ortega that among the things Anderson-Jordet allegedly yelled at the trio that night was, "I'll fucking kill you, I'll fuck that fat bitch up!" or "I'll shut that fat bitch up!"

"I don't remember everything," Ferrer said steadily. "We all remember some things and don't remember some things."

Changing gears again, Rees cross-examined the witness about his previous denial of statements made in the early days of the trial by Humboldt County Sheriff Corrections Deputy Scott James Harris.

While waiting for Ortega's arrival at St. Joseph, Ferrer volunteered remarks to Harris about what had happened in the street-side confrontation. The officer took notes afterward and at trial, he quoted Ferrer as stating, in reference to Anderson-Jordet, "I stuck him to get past him."

Ferrer flatly denied those words in his first round of testimony, effectively calling the deputy a liar.

As Rees burrowed in again on the discrepancy, Ferrer voiced frustration. "You're really simplifying what happened," he declared. "Your questions are too simple, like you're trying to use Aristotelian logic or something."

Rees answered, "Let me make them more complicated."

Ferrer recounted his understanding of what had been said in his hospital interview with Ortega, aired earlier last Friday morning in court with an audio recording.

"Ortega didn't accuse me of murder," the defendant parried. "He talked to me about a homicide. He [Anderson-Jordet] was stabbed, yes, but it wasn't intentional."

Before Rees could move to his next question, Ferrer interjected: "It seems like you're going off subject, or going subject to subject. You remind me of a girlfriend I had when I was 19."

Imperturbable, Rees turned to yet another matter. Had Ferrer and Anderson-Jordet faced off on the sidewalk in front of Vintage Avenger or a few feet away from it on the street? Ferrer had testified to both at different times.

"The altercation was more on the sidewalk, to the best of my recollection," the witness clarified.

At this point, Rees moved to blindside Ferrer. "Did you say to a cellmate in Humboldt County jail, 'Doug attacked me with a chef's knife'?"

Instantly Ferrer rejoined, in a louder voice, as if he were proclaiming it, "That's what I'd say if I were going to lie."

Rees and Ferrer went on fencing about Rocheleau's testimony last week. The prosecutor asked if Ferrer had been listening when his longtime girlfriend took the stand. This was a calculated jibe at the fact that Ferrer had admitted in a past exchange that he had stopped listening momentarily to an earlier witness.

The defendant was ready with another volley. "Sometimes I think you ask questions just to be intentionally rude," he rebuked the deputy district attorney.

When Rees went on to correct some of Ferrer's words, the witness replied acidly, "Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't get the right pronunciation for you."

But in a sudden about-face, Ferrer hastened to add, "I'm sorry, Roger" — as if the prosecutor were a personal acquaintance, a man Ferrer hoped to soften and woo.

Very shortly, however, Ferrer was back on the offensive, miffed about having to testify yet another time about why he got rid of the alleged murder weapon.

"I threw it out because I was traumatized," he repeated to the court with exasperation. He "was walking along with the knife in [his] hand before" realizing he was still displaying it openly as he and his companions proceeded along 12th Street headed west, departing the scene of the stabbing at 11th and H, a block south.

"I didn't, like, try to conceal it, or bury it, I just tossed it" into some bushes, Ferrer repeated. It was never found.

"I couldn't believe it," he went on moments later. He was recounting the shock he felt in reliving the slanging match of obscenities that broke out with Anderson-Jordet and the violence that followed the victim's alleged initiation of the fatal encounter, including his alleged punch to the left side of Ferrer's head.

Rees was studiously unmoved by Ferrer's serial challenges, which seemed to compound the defendant's frustration. If Ferrer sensed or believed, in addressing Rees by name, that he could rile his adversary, he was mistaken.

Seeing the deputy district attorney had no intention of backing away from his aggressive cross-examination, realizing that Rees would continue to parse his every word, Ferrer unleashed a further salvo.

"Is it hard to wrap your head around what I said?" he retorted at another point, challenging the prosecutor again with a cross-examination of his own.

Judge Feeney had heard enough. When Rees asked him to admonish the witness to answer questions, not ask them, Feeney responded with alacrity and with his usual elaborate courtesy. "Don't pose questions, please, to Mr. Rees," he directed the defendant. "Questions go one way."

But Ferrer delivered one more magisterial put-down as he and the prosecutor dueled right up to adjournment for the weekend. The closing scrap returned to differences over what Ferrer told Ortega at the hospital, where the two had chatted amiably and Ferrer apologized for lying during their first interview at the Arcata Police station. Rees wanted to know why Ferrer had said in court that Anderson-Jordet ran at him, when he had told Ortega, "We ran into each other."

"I'm not sure why I told him that," Ferrer answered.

From there, Rees asked Ferrer to clarify whether he had known at the time of the confrontation that Rocheleau and Stoiber assaulted Anderson-Jordet because they were angry at his insults or whether, alternatively, Ferrer had concluded that after the fact.

Confusion had arisen because Ferrer had testified before that he could not remember or visualize anything his companions did after he and Anderson-Jordet made physical contact.

"I didn't know what they were feeling," Ferrer replied. "I had gathered" after the fact, from his interviews with Ortega, that they had been "pissed off."

"We (Ortega and Ferrer) had a better conversation than we're having," the witness complained in his final rejoinder to Rees.

The combative Ferrer jurors saw on the witness stand last week was in marked contrast to the defendant who assumed a warm, smiling and prudential air when he stood at the counsel's table to introduce himself to prospective jurors in the pre-trial proceedings in early April.

Ironically, in the state's opening statement three weeks ago, Rees called attention to Ferrer's demeanor in those early phases. The prosecutor led off with a large photograph of Anderson-Jordet projected on a courtroom wall, telling the jury, "Doug won't get to stand up and introduce himself. That's because he killed him." Rees pointed a finger at Ferrer.






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# Public Safety

## Cigs, booze taken in Trin Murphy's bash

**Humboldt County Sheriff's Office**

TRINIDAD – On Monday, May 4 at about 4:15 a.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff's Office deputy was dispatched to a report of a burglary alarm going off at Murphy's Market in Trinidad. When the deputy arrived at the market, he discovered the front glass door to Murphy's Market was broken out.

The deputy waited for a second deputy to arrive on scene before making entry inside of the market to check for any suspect(s). When the second deputy arrived on scene, entry was made into the market to check for suspect(s). The deputies did not locate any suspect(s) inside of the market. The scene was then secured and the person responsible for the market was contacted and arrived on scene.

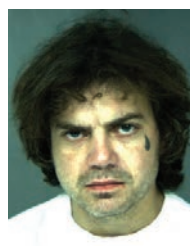
It appears that one or more unknown suspects used a rock to smash open the front glass door to the market to gain entry. The suspect(s) then stole an unknown amount of cigarettes and liquor.

## Teardrop twins in drug trailer takedown

**HCSO**



Jonathan Scott David



Jeremy Todd Butler

ARCATA – On Tuesday, May 5, agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force, assisted by the Arcata Police Department and drug detecting K-9 Louie from the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, served a search warrant at a mobile home in the 1000 block of Seventh Street in Arcata.

Inside the residence, agents located heroin, methamphetamine, prescription pills, scales, packaging materials and other items used in the retail packaging and sales of heroin.

The residence had a video system allowing the occupants to observe people at the front door.

Jonathan Scott David, 40, was arrested on suspicion of possession of a narcotic (heroin); possession of a narcotic for sale (heroin); maintaining a residence for distributing a controlled substance; possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and possession of metal knuckles.

Jeremy Todd Butler, 39, was arrested on suspicion of possession of a narcotic (heroin); possession of a narcotic for sale (heroin) and maintaining a residence for distributing a controlled substance.

## Smoke grenades confiscated

**HCSO**

McKINLEYVILLE/ARCATA – On Tuesday, May 5 at about 5:47 p.m., a Humboldt County Sheriff's deputy contacted a 37-year-old male citizen at a residence located on the 1900 block of B Avenue, McKinleyville. The deputy contacted the citizen subject regarding an issue with his neighbors.

While the deputy was speaking to the citizen, he noticed two spent military-style smoke grenades lying on the lawn.

The deputy asked the citizen if he had any more smoke grenades. The citizen told the deputy he had another grenade in his vehicle, which was parked at the Arcata Plaza. The citizen gave a description of his vehicle to the deputy and signed a consent to search form for his vehicle.

The deputy then drove to the Arcata Plaza with the Arcata Police Department and they located the citizen's vehicle, which was a 1995 Chevy Tahoe parked on the street. Sheriff's Office Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) deputies were called out because of the possible explosive device in the vehicle.

EOD Deputies did locate a live military style smoke grenade lying on the front passenger floorboard of the vehicle. EOD deputies were able to safely remove the smoke grenade from the vehicle and they transported it to a secure location.

This type of smoke grenade is illegal to possess in the State of California.

This case is still under investigation by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office.

## Wave of suspicious fires beset Arcata

**Arcata Fire**

ARCATA – At 10:08 p.m. on Thursday, May 8, Arcata Fire District responded to a trash can fire located in the 1100 block of 16th Street. Engine 8215 arrived on scene and reported a completely melted trash can with charring on the nearby structure and a person attempting to extinguish the fire. The crew deployed a hose line and finished the extinguishment. After speaking with witnesses, they were directed to a second location where a fire had occurred recently but had not been reported. This location had two melted trash cans.

Witnesses stated the previous fire occurred sometime between Monday and Thursday the week previous.

At 10:15 p.m., units responded to a second fire reported as a vegetation fire near Arcata High School near Foster Avenue. Assistant Chief Justin McDonald arrived first and reported a vegetation fire approximately 30 feet in diameter spreading into nearby trees. Chief McDonald updated the location of the fire as behind the gymnasium at Arcata High School. Engine 8216 and Engine 8239 responded to the scene. Upon arrival, Engine 8216 deployed a hose line and began fire attack with Engine 8239 assisting. The fire was extinguished within 10 minutes.

On Friday morning at 2:15 a.m., Arcata Fire District responded to an unknown type of fire at the Potawot Health Village. Engine 8216 arrived on scene and reported what appeared to be a pile of garbage on fire in a field with no threat to buildings. The location of the fire was updated to the Potawot Community Garden off of Ribeiro Lane. Firefighters determined that the object on fire was a plastic portable restroom. The fire crew quickly controlled the fire and extinguished it within minutes of arrival.

All of the fires are considered suspicious or intentionally set. Anyone with information about the fires is asked to contact Arcata Fire District at (707) 825-2000. Call 911 if you see a fire or anything suspicious.

## Party-zone pantsless man with loaded, stolen assault-style rifle disarmed and arrested

**Arcata Police Department**

ARCATA – On Friday, May 8 at about 1:19 a.m., Officers from the Arcata Police Department were dispatched to the intersection of Seventh and K streets on the report of a male subject, with no pants or underwear, having fired a shotgun.

Officers quickly located the partially nude male subject walking in the 900 block of Fifth Street. With a large, heavily attended residential party one block away, officers quickly surrounded the male subject at gunpoint as he fled northbound on J Street.

The subject complied with officer demands to lower himself to the ground where he was then detained in handcuffs.

The partially nude subject was identified as Arcata resident Chaise Allen Horn, 21.

The firearm, a .22 caliber Heckler & Koch brand assault-style rifle, was located in the front yard of a private residence directly next to where Horn was first sighted by police. The firearm was equipped with a silencer and large capacity magazine. The firearm was loaded with one bullet chambered when it was located by police.

It was further discovered that the firearm had been reported stolen to the North Las Vegas Police Department in August, 2014.

Horn was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked on on suspicion of possession of a loaded firearm, possession of a silencer, possession of an assault weapon, possession of a large capacity magazine and possession of stolen property.

## Paint bombings polluting freeway

**Kevin L. Hoover**
**Mad River Union**



**PAINTSPLOSION** One of many paint bombings, this one on a U.S. Highway 101 bridge near Rio Dell.

HUMBOLDT – You may have seen the explosions of paint on the freeway bridge over the Eureka Slough just outside Eureka. Drive up or down U.S. Highway 101 from points south, and you'll find several more paint-bombed hotspots. One, a 101 bridge along the Eel River south of Fortuna, is so thoroughly splattered with multi-colored paintsplosions it could be a fanciful roadway from Yellow Submarine's Pepperland.

While on the surface it looks kinda cool, it's proving highly problematic and Caltrans is appealing to the public to end the psychedelic pollution. Last week, the agency made a Facebook post explaining the problem and pleading for an end to the paint bombing.

"We'd be happy if it stopped," said Eli Rohl, Caltrans spokesman. "We're actively looking to deter people from doing it."

Rohl said that bridges are, for some reason, being targeted for intensive splattering. The bridges often traverse waterways, and paint runoff obviously isn't good for fish or other critters that make a living in riparian zones.

"It's got serious environmental impacts," Rohl said.

Risks for humans are elevated too, as various road markings such as lane stripes are obliterated. Further, the grippy road surface is slickened up by the paint. "We're worried about people slipping on it," Rohl said.

The paint also splatters up onto passing vehicles. "I've had to spend entire days cleaning the paint off the side of my truck from these so called 'artists'," wrote one commenter on Caltrans' Facebook page. "It's getting ridiculous."



**SPLATTERED SWATH** Still another fan of freeway paint. Photos by KLH | Union

Rohl said even abatement would be problematic. "The people doing it are trying to make a statement, so as soon as we clean it up, someone will hit it again and we'd just be wasting taxpayer dollars."

Caltrans is working with "various law enforcement agencies" to catch the culprits, and when they do, the suspects will face felony charges. Vandalism that creates damage in excess of $750 is felonious.

Rohl said the phenomenon may be traceable to an incident from 10 or 15 years ago, when a can of paint fell of a truck near Stafford. The resulting splash of color spawned copycat splatterers, and now it's become a thing.

"It's hurting the community that we live in," Rohl said.


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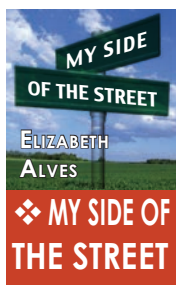
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# OPINION

## The Grieving Person's Bill of Rights

Nobody lives forever, but that doesn't make it easier to accept the death of a loved one, whether the end is sudden and unexpected, or the end of a long and difficult journey, those left behind typically struggle to regain their equilibrium. One of the many services offered by Hospice of Humboldt is assistance to those who are grieving.




Funerals were once all but obligatory, but many people no longer have them, unless required by religious beliefs. But the ritual of marking a loved one's passing in some way can help close that chapter of mourners' lives. Hospice suggests a memorial service or celebration of life as a meaningful ritual to allow friends and family to remember the deceased.

Non-religious altars can also serve as a focus for feelings of grief. Photos, flowers, candles, balloons or treasured belongings can remind us of good times shared with the person who has gone ahead. Some survivors take comfort in graveside visits, while others prefer to plant flowers, or a bush or tree, or visit favorite places.

Rituals, whether public or private, are intended to evoke pleasant memories. If the passing was especially difficult, it can be hard to mentally escape from that, so anything which reminds us of the good times can be healing. It's common for others to offer their own suggestions, but don't feel forced to accept something that doesn't work for you.

One of my favorite materials from Hospice Grief Support is The Grieving Person's Bill of Rights. Just the title is a reminder that mourning is a unique experience for each of us, and that nobody should allow others to decide how it should be done. I've said for years that your feelings are what you feel, and need not be defended or justified.

Right number one is to experience your own grief. If others try to impose their feelings on you or direct your actions, hold firm to your own feelings. Thank them for their sympathy, but carry on in the way that works for you.

Number two is the right to talk about your grief. Whoever came up with the idea that your loved one can or should be quickly wiped from your mind was nuts. It's OK to admit out loud that you are struggling, and accept the strength of others to help you through the tough times.

The third right of a griever is to feel all kinds of different and even conflicting emotions relating to the death. There is no right way to mourn, and a chaotic mixture of pain, fear, anger, guilt and other feelings is natural. If others criticize your feelings, find someone to talk to who will not judge them, or you.

Number four is an especially important right, to be tolerant of your limits, both physical and emotional. In the beginning, you might want to hole up at home to get extra sleep, or just down time. Regular, balanced meals are especially important then.

Sometimes people will want to draw you out from what they see as unhealthy isolation, and they might be right, if you linger too long in that zone. Thank them for their concern, but don't assume they know what is best for you. But if everything just seems like too much trouble, it might be time to ask for help.

Right number five concerns grief attacks, sudden emotional experiences that can strike when you think things are going pretty well. You may need to take a short break to get yourself under control; don't allow others to tell you how to feel. These are absolutely normal reactions.

The remaining five rights have to do with the spiritual, religious and ethical realms. As you grope your way to peace with the death of your loved one, many ideas will pass through your mind. Some will be helpful, others won't.

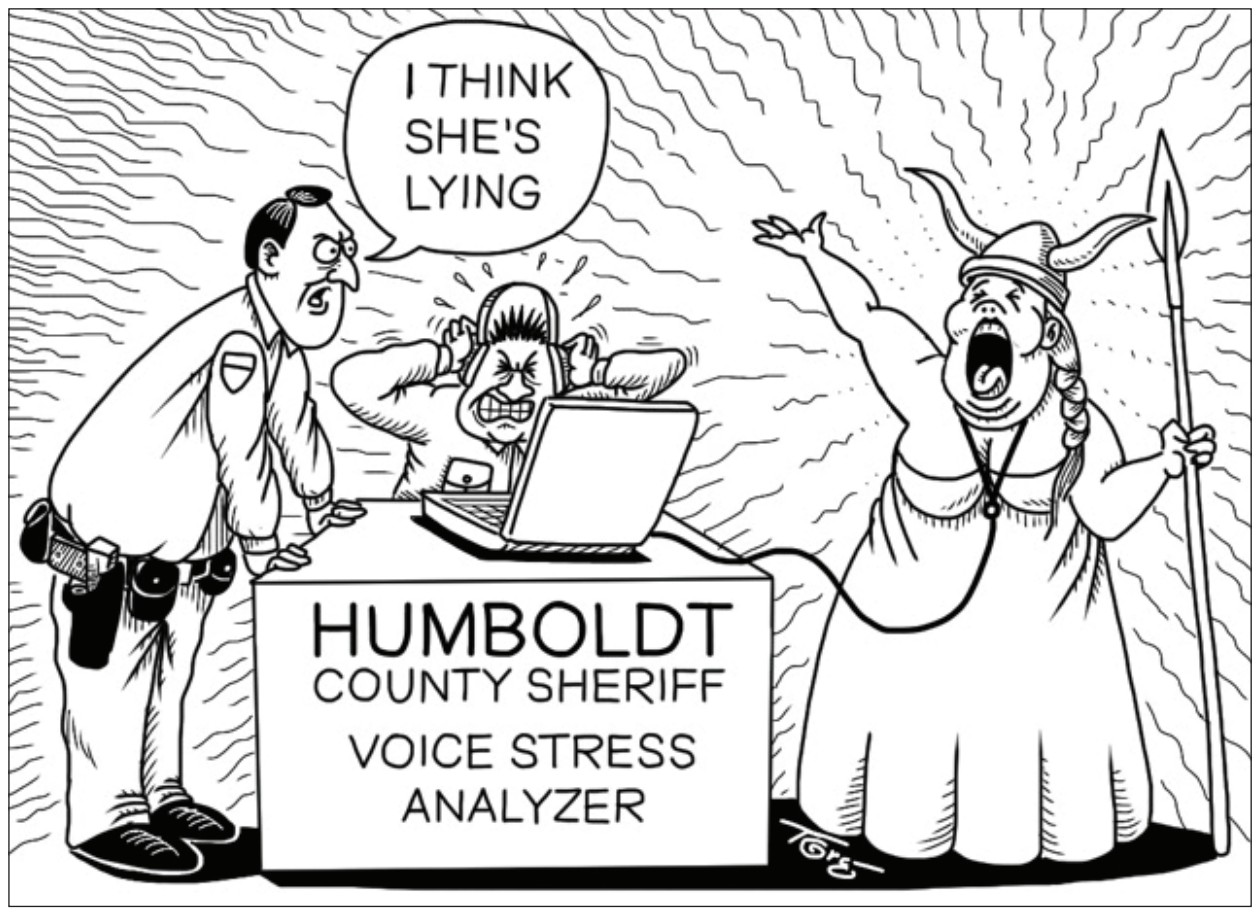
In addition to the comfort of family and friends, the counsel of a professional could be useful.

Many people find this is a good time to learn about different spiritual systems. There are books in the library and literally unlimited resources online. You don't need to replace existing belief systems to benefit from a new way of looking at things during this difficult time.

It used to be common to sedate the newly bereaved, especially women, in the hopes that they would miss the most painful part of the experience. We now know that only postpones the suffering. There is no free pass, but the help of others can ease the path.

Most people try to say something comforting, but some will miss the mark. If possible, try to give them the benefit of the doubt, while silently rejecting any truly offensive remarks. Holding a grudge does not promote healing, and healing is the desired result.

*Elizabeth Alves thanks all those whose support and comfort have made it easier for her to cope with the loss of her sister. Comments and suggestions are welcome care of the* Union *or to* mysidestreet@gmail.com.




*News Item:* Humboldt County Sheriff's Office is purchasing a $13,500 Computer Voice Stress Analyzer.

## Sliding downward on a dead horse

Eureka Police Chief Mills is the latest public official to suggest that the need to provide pensions and health care to employees is best addressed through layoffs and cutbacks.




This approach means that a number of people are about to lose their jobs and through some magical process only achievable through "free market" capitalism, the economy will benefit from more unemployment. Even better would be to reduce wages and cut benefits altogether.

This idea of approaching prosperity through lower wages, fewer benefits and fewer jobs dates back to the 1980s, a time in which I was still working as a reporter and covering school board meetings.

At that time, teaching was considered an honorable profession. Teachers were admirable figures, but economic policy was shifting to the "Trickle Down" theory that required changes from a progressive tax policy in which the more you made the more you paid to a policy wherein the less you made the more you paid. If you made a lot you didn't have to pay anything at all.

We've been riding this dead horse down the path to prosperity for 40-some years now and we're further away from propsperity than ever. Our standard of living is declining. More and more of us are living paycheck to paycheck.

Having a job is not guarantee of solvency. Well more than half of the folks receiving social net benefits like food and rent assistance are employed. They just don't make enough to support themselves.

The way our economic scenario is playing out reminds me very much of the War on Drugs. With absolutely no evidence that the theory is sound, until very recently the majority of citizens believed that even though it wasn't working and drugs are readily available on every street corner, the war must continue.

So, too, with our economic policies. Belief in capitalism is holding firm and many are ready to throw stones at anyone who suggests it is other than the perfect accompaniment to the American Way.

Never mind that economic growth has declined to less than one percent. Never mind that sales tax revenues don't meet promised projections because people can't afford to buy anything.

Blame the unions, blame the teachers, blame the mail carriers, blame the prison guards, the police, the fire departments.

Do anything but take a cold hard look at the collapse of our society and our economy.

Blame the homeless, the drug addicts, the large numbers of unemployed folks in Detroit and Baltimore who are failing to pull themselves up by their bootstraps.

The general sense is that the War on Drugs may be on its way out.

Unfortunately, capitalism isn't and won't be as long as the capitalists are in control and convinced that there's plenty of money to be squeezed out of us poor rubes yet.

*Mary Ella Anderson recommends a heavy dose of alternative economics, such as that given by Dr. Richard D. Wolff and Bill Black.*

## Harassment | 'Sad'

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Another tactic is to motivate those who do have some awareness to support a target when they witness verbal abuse situation in the making or underway.

Humboldt State's Check It is a student-led sexual assault, dating violence and stalking prevention program. It identifies a "check it moment" as "witnessing an absence of consent, seeing a situation where someone may or is experiencing harm, or seeing someone who may be more vulnerable to being targeted." Visit *checkithsu.com* for more information.

Jane Williams-Eichensehr said some men already do that. One day, she had dared to trek up H Street to get lunch. When it was time to return to work, she dreaded passing the clutch of urchins outside, where inevitable volleys of venomous verbiage awaited.

A kind gentleman sensed this and offered to escort her back to her shop. In a stroke of luck, she was escorted safely back to her Arcata livelihood.

"There's a lot of inappropriate behavior directed at women on the streets, said Karen "Fox" Olson, director of Arcata House. "Almost every woman coming into the Night Shelter says they've been sexually harassed or assaulted."

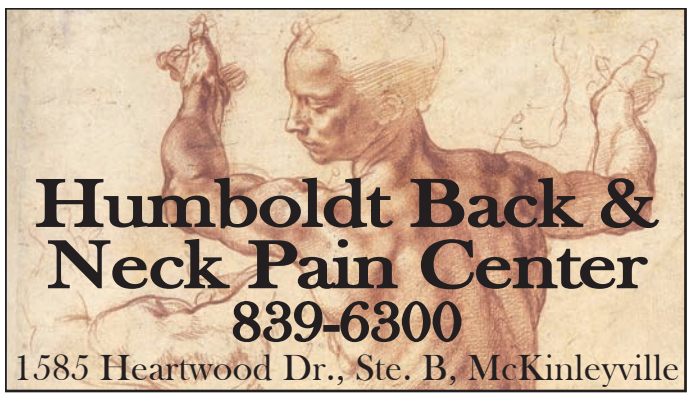
"One of three of us gets raped," Williams-Eichensehr said. "We're generally not as [physically] strong as men."

To meet the daily challenges, women find that they have to toughen up, spiritually and otherwise. It's not necessarily the mindset they wish to occupy.

"It's really disheartening because there's no room left in your heart to be soft," Carpenter said. "Feeling defensive all the time is energy that globs onto you. It's just a sad way to walk through the world."

"I'm sick of it," LeGar said.















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# Opinion

## Green Acres is the place to be

*Black hearts in effigy*
*We sing a song that was hated*
*All dressed in rags and bones*
*Sharks smell the blood that I'm bleeding*
*I know there's something wrong*
*Might take a fire to kill it*
*Might take a hurricane*
*Don't know what life that I'm livin'*
– Beck Hansen, Dust Brothers & Eugene Blacknell

And so much more on our Saturday night at *Austin City Limits,* oh my! Every week is something different and sometimes you are really surprised.

It has been a strange time lately with good things and bad things happening every few hours. Trying to cope with Fluffy's passing was enough, but then in the middle of the night, someone broke into Alan's car in the driveway and took all his equipment but not the car, as the battery was not there. Reported it to the APD and it seems they have had over 1,300 car thefts and break-ins filed so far this year. We're right next door to the temporary home of the Arcata Volunteer Fire Department so that didn't help: fair warning! They may be looking for moolah, but we are broke too, as are many others that live under a roof. Our neighbors have had people sleeping in their yard so up go the locks and light sensors that we can't afford.




❖ EYE OF THE BEHOLDER

Farmers' Market was cool and friendly for the day and my most pleasant surprise was that Sunny the dog, that lives at Fickle Hill Old Rose Nursery, was there in the back of the pick-up truck and I got to have a couple of hugs and pleasant thoughts before time was up and it made my day after surviving the bad-hair-week.

Did you know that John Muir and President Theodore Roosevelt spent three days together in Yosemite in 1901? That would have been an adventure to be a part of. Get your kids out of the house and into the wild so they know what the future can hold if we can change the ways of the domination of the money grabbers. Where we live makes it much easier to go into the wilderness for a spell and avoid the din of our commercial world. Music is another source of enlightenment as well as many plays, lectures, schools, books and contact with the aware humans around us.

Ran across one of the Sea Level Rising Boards in the Magic Marsh and it is awakening for those who live close by the rising tides. Many of us won't be here in another 50 years or so, but some of our friends and relatives will and it's an interesting forecast. What are we gonna do about it, besides bang our heads against a brick wall?

The May 2015 *Smithsonian* – "The Future is Here" – gives us a lot to mull like the Plastic Planet on page 68, which is ongoing around the globe. Then there is a bright spot – "Welcome to Farmtopia" a few pages later (74) and the quoted theme song of *Green Acres: "*Green Acres is the place to be/Farm livin' is the life for me/ Land spreadin' out so far and wide/Keep Manhattan just give me that countryside." Sound familiar? How do we change what's happening with overpopulation and urban sprawl and the use of non-reusable items that make us search for new ones and just toss out the old?

The Interpretive Center in the Magic Marsh has the bird art by the local school children that has won awards at the recent Godwit Days. Bela Randles (Tim's son) won a third place prize with a Red Breasted Nuthatch, awesome. He is in first grade at Studio School/Union Street Charter and all the winners are up for show for the whole month of May. Go take a gander if you missed them.

The table that is used for many chess games at the north end of the Marsh parking area on South G Street has not been in use since the new smoking regulations have gone into effect. How you gonna play chess without smoking a pipe? On the way back to Plaza time on Sunday, I stopped by to see if we had some koi in the pond and it was almost full of water, no koi. I watched this small swimmer going round and round while trying to leave the pond. At first I thought it was a toad, but I saw it was a very young bird drenched and unable to leave the plastic pond. I scooped it out and put it on some grass. Hope it lives as it dries in the warmth of the flora and can flap its wings again.

Just read in the *LA Times* that Oklahoma is having an increasing amount of quakes due to the hydraulic fracking into the rock structures. Another here we go again.

*Bev says time to go out and tell the March Winds to cool it and let the sun shine calmly for a while, as today is May Day and we got Memorial Day on the horizon.*

# Remedial math and morality

## The 19-year view from the Lazy J

❖ LETTERS

This is a response to Jan Phelps' letter in the April 22 issue. Both Ms. Phelps and Mary Ella Anderson have resided at the Arcata Lazy J Mobile Home Park less than three years. I've lived here 19 years.

Under Carl Johnson's ownership, it was a great place to live, but the park was purchased one-and-a-half years ago. The deed lists three investment companies as the owners. Follett Investment Company from Gold River is in charge of our management.

We were informed that a different investment company, Inspire Communities, was our owner, but didn't provide us with a way of contacting them. Our rent has increased $57 in the past two years.

That is too much of an increase for seniors retired on fixed incomes. It won't take long before our lowest income residents would be forced out. Ms. Phelps must have a higher income than most who live here.

Current laws that protect home and apartment renters are not in place for mobile home owners renting in mobile home parks. Investment companies are gobbling up mobile home parks like candy.

Investors have been taught, at places like Mobile Home University, that their highest return will come from owning mobile home parks.

About a month ago, I personally canvassed Ms. Phelps' street. Everyone was concerned about the rent increases, and, yes, some were terrified, knowing they don't have the retirement income to keep up with the current rent increases.

Knowing there is a shortage of low-income housing and long waiting lists, rhey fear they could lose the investment they have in their home and have no place to go.

We're not a small number anymore. We're up, organized, and have formed the Arcata Lazy J Home Owners Association (ALJHOA). A wide spectrum reside here from housebound, disabled, sickly, to active, educated, community -minded citizens. The ALJHOA strives to protect our park members from greed.

Lazy J is a low-income senior park. We love living here, thinking it a wise investment and a safe place to live for the rest of our lives.

**Nancy Mohney**
**Arcata**

## Two plus two equals four

After reading the article on the recommendation on spending $8.4 million in the *Mad River Union,* May 6 edition I felt I needed to respond to the Citizen's Advisory Committee.

This measure was sold as a "public safety" issue and again used "scare" tactics to get the people to support and pass this measure. Some of the requests for the money is almost hysterical to say the least.

My biggest issue is with the response of this committee. To quote the words of Helen Edwards, "I have no confidence in the ability of the public to understand that two plus two equals four."

And then the response of another member of the committee, Shon Wellborn, "It never occurred to me that the public is too STUPID to understand."

First of all, the only stupid people are the ones who keep coming up with ways to tax us to death in any way they can. It does not take a genius to understand that there is only so much money to go around.

We pay assessments on the fire departments, the water and sewer rates keep going up along with every other utility and that does not leave a whole lot of money to be spent. So if the so-called tax measures that all the cities and county have do not meet expectations then one would guess the people are not spending their money locally. The more you tax, the less there is to spend.

Measure Z was supposed to help the people in the unincorporated areas of the county to feel safe and hire more security.

The Board of Supervisors had better see that this measure is carried out for this purpose because that was what we voted on or maybe we can hire another committee to see if we can get it overturned for mishandling the funds.

I really do not think the people are so "stupid" that they will not be watching this process.

We pay the highest gas prices in the nation, the water rates will have to raise because we will be forced to cut back usage (explain that one) and we have high sales tax.

At the rate we are going, the county had better build a lot more of those "little houses" for the homeless and give Betty Chin more room to expand, because we are all headed in that direction.

Just keep on taxing and thinking of more ways to get into our pockets!

On another note, it is not our fault that the county cannot meet the funds for the government employees retirement or health benefits.

Look around and see how the average person lives. Do it on your own and do not rely on the taxpayer to take care of everybody. There is not enough to go around!

**Loretta Wilson**
Retired bookkeeper, so I do know that two plus two equals four
**McKinleyville**

## Measure Z, another forever tax

After reading about the volume of requests for Measure Z funds, I was reminded of Aunt Mary winning the lottery and realizing she had relatives she never knew existed, all asking for money.

I was led to believe that the purpose of Measure Z was to provide funding for public safety, especially for rural areas of the county. But now it's obvious that numerous agencies, public and private, are asking for a piece of the pie.

The thing that puzzles me is that Measure Z is set to sunset in five years; if that really happens, how will all the requests for programs and personnel, if approved by the advisory committee, be funded at that point?

I can see it now: four-and-one-half years from now, we will be told by our local politicians that if Measure Z is allowed to expire, public safety and services will suffer, so we will be asked to approve it once again.

Once these funds are committed, this tax will exist forever.

It appears the taxpayers of Humboldt County will be required to act as the oversight committee. Keep informed.

**Scott R. Baker**
**McKinleyville**

## The Fair doesn't need a cruelty circus

I am deeply saddened by the Redwood Acres/Friends of the Fair's decision to bring a circus with performing animals to our area later this month.

The big cats and other wild animals who are used in circuses endure inhumane and abusive training and living conditions. When they are not performing, they spend most of their time in extremely close confinement.

The Culpepper & Merriweather circus has an especially egregious record when it comes to animal cruelty/neglect. They have repeatedly failed to meet minimum federal standards for the care of animals used in exhibition as established in the Animal Welfare Act.

The USDA has cited Culpepper & Merriweather several times for failure to provide animals with shelter from the elements, enough space to make normal postural adjustments and proper veterinary care.

In 2011, Culpepper & Merriweather had a tiger cub confiscated by the USDA, and its license was suspended for six months by an administrative law judge.

In addition, performing wild animals pose a real threat to public safety, precisely because they are wild and therefore unpredictable. In 2008, two elephants with the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus in Kansas escaped from their handler and ran through town, causing property damage and frightening residents.

One elephant was shot three times with a tranquilizer gun in an effort by authorities to slow the animal down. The elephants were on the loose for approximately three hours before they were recaptured and loaded onto trucks.

With so many better choices in entertainment, I urge the Fair to sponsor events that do not involve wild animals.

The use of performing wild animals doesn't teach our children anything about the lives of these magnificent creatures in the wild.

All it does is desensitize them to animal suffering, and promote the troubling notion that the non-human animals of our planet exist solely for our own pleasure and entertainment.

**Tamara McFarland**
**Bayside**

## Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir thanks

The Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir sends a big THANK YOU to all the local businesses, volunteers and individuals who supported our 24th Annual Community Prayer Breakfast and Concert which was a spirited and joyful occasion and a resounding success thanks to so many people:

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We would especially like to thank our continuing sponsors; Wildberries Marketplace; KIEM-TV News Channel 3 and Bug Press.

**Jim Hubbard, Louis Hoiland** and **Halimah Collingwood** for AIGC
**Arcata**

## Thanks, Helen Edwards

I would like to thank Helen Edwards for her tenacity and outstanding work for McKinleyville and Humboldt County as one of our representatives on the Measure Z Committee.

She successfully worked to convince the rest of the Committee to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to fully fund the request for funding for the Sheriff's Department.

Although there was a strong move on the committee to reduce the Sheriff's Office funding, Helen was able to move forward the wishes of McKinleyville that started at the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee to improve public safety here in McKinleyville and the rest of the county.

We are very fortunate to have effective leaders like Helen working for us.

**Ben Shepherd**
**McKinleyville**

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# McK fire forces life vs. property decision

MAD RIVER UNION

DOW'S PRAIRIE – On Wednesday, May 6 shortly after 10 a.m., Arcata Fire District responded to multiple 911 calls reporting smoke in the area of Central Avenue and Airport Road.

En route, firefighters learned that a resident there needed urgent medical care for an injury. Engine 8217's two arriving firefighters had to choose between aiding a smoke inhalation victim and fighting the fire.

Since life comes before property, they focused on the victim until other personnel arrived to take over, and shortly Arcata-Mad River Ambulance responded to the scene.

The first engine on scene updated the location as the 3200 block of Dow's Prairie Road and reported a large, black column of smoke coming from behind a three story single family residence. Engine 8217, with two firefighters, directed personnel to assist the patient and began to pull hose lines to the rear of the house where a fully involved shed threatened the home.

Paramedics assisted the patient while firefighters controlled the fire and kept it from spreading to the house. Firefighters had the fire under control within about 10 minutes of arriving.

The cause of the fire appears to be accidental and the result of the owner working on the electrical wiring in a vehicle in the shed. The shed and the vehicle are a complete loss, though no monetary value is known at this time.

The resident suffered smoke inhalation and shortness of breath at the incident. The patient refused transport to the hospital.

# Rising costs burden budget

**Daniel Mintz**
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – County spending continues to exceed income, but its structural budget deficit is less than it was last year.

That was the upshot of a third quarter budget update given at the May 5 Board of Supervisors meeting.

Assistant County Administrative Officer Amy Nilsen reported that General Fund expenditures will exceed revenues by at least $1.6 million in the 2015 to 2016 fiscal year, which begins July 1. That gap includes $1.5 million proposed to be transferred to the county's lean contingencies or emergency fund.

A resulting $151,000 structural deficit would necessitate service reductions, but Nilsen said her office is recommending forwarding a piece of this year's fund balance to cover it.

Costs will rise for a variety of services in the upcoming budget year, Nilsen continued. There will be two additional elections costing the county $325,000, the county's general relief program needs $160,000 to cover increased caseloads and the county's contribution to the court system is likely to increase by $100,000, she said.

If the additional funding is approved, the General Fund's structural deficit will rise to $737,000, Nilsen added, for a total deficit of $2.2 million with the contingency fund contribution.

The county's Aviation Enterprise Fund has been an ongoing drain because its fee revenues have been dropping as costs rise. The fund has a growing deficit, and one of the recommendations approved by supervisors is to advance a $500,000 loan from another fund, the county's motor pool.

The Aviation Fund's ballooning deficit has been continually flagged as a problem and Smith-Hanes said that now is "a critical point in time where we do actually need to get an infusion of money in there from someplace."

With changes in health care, the county's Medical Services Program is down to one participant. The county will seek to have a $430,000 program fee waived.

Supervisor Rex Bohn noted the program's single-person enrollment. "We could build that one person a hospital," he said.

Last year, the county didn't have to pay a program fee and Supervisor Mark Lovelace said the situation is evolving as changes in health care proceed.

Supervisors unanimously approved using this year's fund balance to cover the upcoming deficit and authorized pursuit of the loan to the aviation fund.

Also approved were recommendations to discontinue voluntary furloughs and to transfer $50,000 from the General Fund to cover costs associated with establishing the McKay Community Forest.

# Fire tax | Dept. needs to prepare for future

❖ FROM A1

this November. It calls for a $24 increase in the cost of a "unit of benefit." The units are derived from property records, the Land Use Code and engineering studies. They attempt to quantify the department's value to the property.

The baseline unit of benefit is a one-acre vacant lot, which represents one unit, currently valued at $22, plus the existing $5 special tax for a total of $27. If the lot has a house on it, it represents four units of benefit. Thus, a typical family home in Arcata now assessed $108 for fire service would pay another $96 per year for a total of $204. That's an 89 percent increase.

With the new tax, Arcata Fire's customers would pay $142.32 per capita for fire services in the district, up from the current $104. That, according to figures compiled by AFPD, is comparable to neighboring agencies' per capita charges. Humboldt Bay Fire charges $180.77, while Ukiah Valley Fire charges $144.92.

The resulting revenue would raise AFPD's budget $1.5 million, from $3.8 million to $5.3 million.

That's what Arcata Fire says it needs. What would it do with this new money?

In a nutshell, according to Fire Chief Desmond Cowan, "meet the needs of this gigantic community." By gigantic, Cowan refers to the challenging, 62-square-mile size of the district, the many and varied types of fire and rescue challenges its terrain and architecture presents. The value of the property the department protects is estimated at $4 billion, up 4.9 percent in the last three years.

And then there's the 37,000-plus human lives that Arcata Fire is charged with protecting.

Specifically, the department wishes to bring staffing closer to national standards. That, Cowan said, will both enhance firefighter safety and improve firefighting effectiveness. While fire engines are now staffed by two firefighters, the new tax would make it possible for three per engine to respond to any call from any of Arcata Fire's three stations. While the national standard specifies four personnel per fire engine, the California standard of three has already been adopted by Humboldt Bay Fire.

The two-firefighter limit constrains response, causing distress to Arcata Fire personnel and the public alike. Firefighters aren't allowed to enter burning buildings to look for victims without two others there to rescue them, if need be.

Lack of personnel also forces agonizing choices for firefighters arriving at a fire scene. Real-world incidents highlighting ways that more personnel per engine would improve response are never hard to find *(see upper left)*.

A study by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) confirmed the usefulness of larger crews. It found that arriving two-person crews "cannot complete essential fireground tasks in time to rescue occupants without subjecting them to an increasingly toxic atmosphere."

"It shouldn't come as a surprise to anyone that a two-person crew isn't a good idea," Cowan said. The study also found that firefighters are stressed out by being on an undersized crew, and that they exhibit higher heart rates during two-person incident responses.

Lack of adequate personnel also prevents Arcata Fire from training up for certain not-unlikely scenarios it may face in the future, such as a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake. Skills the department can't now train in include urban search and rescue and confined space rescue.

The lack of staffing parity with Humboldt Bay Fire also prevents Arcata Fire from providing true reciprocity in mutual aid agreements with Humboldt Bay Fire. Reads the staff report, "There are times when we are providing coverage to downtown Eureka with a two-person engine company, while Humboldt Bay always sends a three-person, career staffed engine for coverage in our district."

Astoundingly, the department got by until 2005 with a single firefighter per engine. By 2007, it had raised staffing to two per engine at its Mad River and McKinleyville stations. It wasn't until 2012 that the nominal crew of three career firefighters per engine at all three stations, including downtown Arcata, was established.

The need for increased staffing is listed as a key finding of an analysis of the department's funding. It's listed as a goal in Arcata Fire's strategic plan, and is part of the district's overall evolution.

Once composed mostly of volunteers with a handful of career firefighters, Arcata Fire now boasts 23 career fighters, 25 volunteer firefighters and 11 non-firefighting volunteers.

The relative lack of employment opportunities at Arcata Fire leads to high volunteer turnover. That means a lot of repetitive training for new intakes. The volunteers, who cost about $20,000 each to train, average just 1.4 years of service with the department. "The inexperienced personnel cannot be given complex assignments that require a depth of knowledge and experience they simply don't have," the staff report reads.

Along with preparing for future challenges, Arcata Fire needs more resources just to meet mushrooming current demand. Even since the last assessment was approved nine years ago, yearly calls for fire service have increased 49 percent, from 1,769 in 2006 to 2,648 in 2014. They show no sign of abating.

Cowan points out that none of the tax revenue would be used for construction, which comes from another fund. Nor is it subject to the whims of any politicians, as Arcata Fire isn't affiliated with the City of Arcata.

The proposed tax is a bold gamble for Arcata Fire, in that it requires two-thirds approval by voters. But Cowan is confident that they will provide the department with what it needs to serve the public into the future.

"I have an obligation to lay it all out and let the community know their choices," Cowan said. "I'm confident that the community will see that we're being straightforward and that they will want to support and grow the organization."

**THE BUMPERS** The McKinleyville Low Vision Support group, The Bumpers, will not meet in May. The group's next meeting will be Monday, June 29. For information contact Doug Rose at (707) 839-0588 or *dougdrose@suddenlink.net*.

I had always wanted to have my own newspaper press, and although we had to travel far and wide in search of one, finally it became a reality for about six years. Many of you saw it leave Willow Creek loaded on a flatbed truck last week, along with my forklift, which I had no need of any longer.

*Editor J.F. Garst Jr. in the final edition of The Kourier, Aug. 2, 2006*




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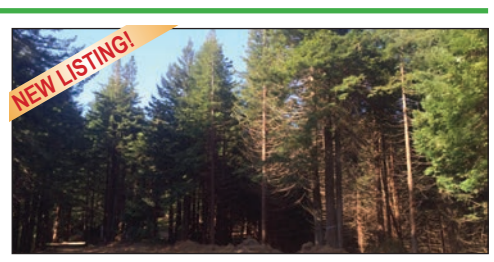
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**GRACEFUL WOOD** Intarsia by Earl Stevens are showing at North Coast Frozen Yogurt in McKinleyville Shopping Center. SUBMITTED PHOTO

# Arts aflutter in McKinleyville

**McKINLEYVILLE ARTS NIGHT**

McKINLEYVILLE – McKinleyville Art Night is this Friday, May 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. Join in the celebration of local art and artists for music, food and fun at the following venues:

**California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport** – View artwork by Micki Flatmo, Allison Curtis, Andrei Hedstrom, Rachel Schlueter, Augustus Clark, Scott Hemphill and Anna Sofia Amezcua.

**Grace Good Shepherd Church**, 1450 Hiller Rd. – Illustrations and paintings by Geoff Werronen and live music: select pieces from the church's hand bell choir until 6:30 p.m., followed by Lynn Hubbard and Craig Lemster presenting a tribute to Glen Campbell and original compositions.

**North Coast Frozen Yogurt**, McKinleyville Shopping Center – Intarsia (inlaid patterns on the surface of wood and other objects) by Earl Stevens, plus the "Mack Arts" show featuring work by McKinleyville High School art students.

**McKinleyville Family Resource Center**, 1450 Hiller Rd. – Children's Mental Health Day, with a free dinner and story time with special guests Jeanine Lancaster from Humboldt County Library and Michael Davies-Hughes of the McKinleyville Union School District, followed by an interactive art project. Information about Mental Health services for families in McKinleyville will be available.

**Blake's Books**, 2005 Central Ave. – Fine art paintings on silk by Tina Gleave, who will also offer live silk painting demos, and jazz keyboard music by Harry Smith.

**Church of the Joyful Healer**, 1944 Central Ave. – A tree-themed show with watercolors and photography by Evelyn Wiebe-Anderson and Terry Sue Myers.

McKinleyville Art Night is the third Friday of each month and is open for all McKinleyville businesses to display the work of our local artists. For more information, contact coordinator Taffy Stockton at (707) 834-6460. *mckinleyvilleartsnight.com*



**COSMIC CRUSH** Crush hosts an exhibition of artwork by Sunny Brae Middle School art students throughout the month of May at 1101 H St., in Arcata's Pythian Castle. Teacher Lynn Jones notes that the works, collected from a year of art classes, show a variety of mediums in styles ranging from human figures to nature, to abstract. Some pieces are directed, others are parts of a series, and still others are self-motivated flights of creativity, such as that by eighth grader Trinity Hetz-Cooper, above.




**GRADUATING CLASS** The 2015 MFA class and creators of the 2015 Thesis Project. PHOTO BY JANESSA JOHNSRUDE | DELL'ARTE

# Don't fear the finals!

**DELL'ARTE INTERNATIONAL**

BLUE LAKE – Join the graduating MFA students of Dell'Arte International School of Physical Theatre for devised thesis projects that weave humor, absurdism, text, movement and music in a celebration of the ensemble creative process. The class presents three original one-act plays for six performances over two weekends in the Carlo Theater.

The students of this unique graduate program have been training at Dell'Arte in ensemble-based physical theatre for the past three years. For their final assignment, they present original work of their own creation as the culmination of their degree program. The performances are a great chance to witness original one-act plays by the theatre makers of tomorrow.

The festival includes:

• ***Blue Line:*** Three eccentric characters find patience and compassion while waiting for the notoriously late Blue Line. Created and performed by Christopher Kehoe, Moses Norton and Kaitlen Osburn.

• ***Cavemouth:*** A terrible and toxic plague ravishes the countryside. In fear for her life and ignoring the desperate pleas of the impoverished commoners at the gates, the Queen has commanded quarantine on the castle. Suffering this self-imposed isolation, the Queen and her loyal servants, the Idiot and the Other bravely play out their days of exile as they await the return of the Queen's forces who promise news, provisions, and possibly freedom. Created and performed by Hannah Gaff, Alyssa Hughlett and Sarah McKinney.

• ***A Town Called Sonder:*** The lost town of Sonder once lay at the edge of an impossible sea of trees. Tonight we bring you wild tales from a nearly-forgotten place of love, loss, weirdness, madness, mythic creatures, dreams, and more told by the Salieri Brothers and their amazing Clockwork Man. Take a journey with us across time and space into the strange depths of the Great Forest and hear the stories of those who called it home. Created and performed by Drew Pannebecker, Lucius Robinson and Cooper Lee Smith.

Each night, all three works will be performed. The plays are appropriate for theatergoers 15 years of age and up.

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**CLOWN SCHOOL SWEETHEARTS** Natasha Kaluza and Jamie Coventry bring their own special magic to close out the Arcata Playhouse Family Fun series. SUBMITTED PHOTO

# Clowning around at the Creamery District

## Coventry & Kaluza close out the Playhouse Family Fun series

**ARCATA PLAYHOUSE**

CREAMERY DISTRICT – The Arcata Playhouse Family Fun Series finishes its season with San Francisco circus duo Coventry & Kaluza in SHEBANG! on Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16.

Coventry & Kaluza are Jamie Coventry and Natasha Kaluza, who were clown school sweethearts at the Clown Conservatory at the San Francisco Circus Center. They have performed with the New Pickle Circus, Circus Bella, Flynn Creek Circus, Teatro ZinZanni as well as Sweet Can Circus, which was featured in years past in the Playhouse series. The duo won Best Comedy/Clown Act in the American Circus Festival two years in a row, and Best Duo in the Picklewater Free Circus Festival.

Joining them for SHEBANG! is aerialist and circus performer Sam Luckey, who studied at The Circus Space in London, specializing in swinging trapeze, where she was also part of The Optomists, a flying trapeze troop on the petit volant (mini fly rig).

Coventry & Kaluza bring a variety of skills and thrills in a show that features multiple characters, extreme acrobatics, juggling, extraordinary music, high numbers hula hooping and ridiculous highjinks. Guest trapeze artist Luckey will inspire you to new heights.

This production is the third of three presentations to make up the 2015 edition of the Arcata Playhouse ninth annual Family Series. The series has become an Arcata and Humboldt County mainstay for families looking for quality, affordable entertainment for children and adults alike. With both school and public performances of family theater, storytelling, puppetry and variety performances, the series is known for its intimate setting and for outstanding performers and this year's series is no different.

The series is supported by funding from the Western States Arts Federation and generous local business sponsors Kokatat Watersports Wear, Holly Yashi Jewelry and Wildberries Marketplace.

SHEBANG! performs on Friday, May 15 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 16 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. The Playhouse's 16 foot Pink Peg-legged Polka-dot Pony sculpture will be all the performances.

Tickets are $12/$10 for children 12 and under/$40 for a family of four or more and are available at Bubbles, Wildberries Marketplace and Redwood Yogurt, as well as online at *arcataplayhouse.org*. The Arcata Playhouse is located at 1251 Ninth Street in Arcata.

*arcataplayhouse.org*, (707) 822-1575









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# HIGHLIGHTS

**SCI FI PINT AND PIZZA NIGHT** Fly away with *Star Pilot* (1964) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways today, May 13 at Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. A prominent scientist, his daughter, several young technicians and a pair of spies are taken hostage by aliens from the constellation Hydra who crash-land on the island of Sardinia. When the humans attempt to mutiny against their captors, they inadvertently send their tiny spaceship hurtling into the infinite beyond... Admission is free with $5 minimum purchase of food or beverage.

**TNT TALKS PEACE** With the horns of war trumpeting loudly, isn't it time to renew the conversation of a cabinet-level Department of Peace? As far back as 1793, some Americans wanted a Department of Peace on equal footing with the Department of War. This week on KHSU's Thursday Night Talk, host Brenda Starr and guests 20-year U.S. Congress Representative Lynn Woolsey and James Sorter of Veterans for Peace Chapter 56 will talk War and Peace. Tune in to KHSU 90.5 FM on May 14 at 7 p.m. and call (707) 825-4805 with your questions and comments. *KHSU.org*

**MUSIC AT THE MARKET** Blue Rhythm Revue plays the Arcata Farmers' Market this Saturday, May 16. The market runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Arcata Plaza.

**PLANT & YARD SALE** Wha Nika Women's Club will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 16, from 10 a.m. until all is sold, in the front parking lot of the Blue Lake Museum, 330 Railroad Ave. Concurrently, the museum will have a yard sale, featuring many lovely vintage items, in the back parking lot.

**BOOK SALE** Join the Friends of the Arcata Library (FOAL) for its spring book sale, Saturday, May 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Arcata Library Conference Room (500 Seventh St., behind Arcata City Hall). The sale includes books for all ages and interests, including fiction, mystery, science and the environment, foreign language, biography, cooking, YA, picture books and more! All proceeds support the Arcata Library. Current FOAL members are invited to come for the presale at 9:30 a.m. (membership is only $5 to $8, and can be obtained or renewed at the door). (707) 822-5954

**FIELDBROOK GIG** Jim Bower plays at the Fieldbrook General Store and Deli, 4636 Fieldbrook Rd., Fieldbrook, with guests JD Jeffries and Michael Stewart on Saturday, May 16 starting at 7 p.m.

**FAMILY DANCE PARTY** The Delta Nationals headline a family dance party on Saturday, May 16 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Bayside Grange, 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd. Warm up with family Zumba, then dance the night away. There will be silent and Dutch auctions, as well as beer, wine and food items available for donation; bring your own beverage containers. Admission is $10/$5 for kids/$25 for families at the door. This is a fundraiser for the Guy Kuttner Nature Education Memorial Fund of the Humboldt Area Foundation. Funds will be used to help schools access outdoor educational opportunities.

**TIM BREED** On Sunday, May 17, starting at 5 p.m., see singer-songwriter Tim Breed at the Lighthouse Grill in Saunders Shopping Center, Trinidad.

**ALL SEASONS ORCHESTRA** Get ready for another great performance by All Seasons Orchestra on Sunday, May 17 at 7 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St. in Arcata. This free concert, brought to you by All Seasons Orchestra and Arcata Recreation Division, features Gabriel Faure's *Pavane*, along with selections from *Phantom of the Opera*, *Romeo and Juliet Overture* and *The Magic Flute*. The McKinleyville Community Choir sings with the orchestra on a few pieces. This community orchestra, open to all ages, meets Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon at the D St. Neighborhood Center. The All Seasons Orchestra includes strings, woodwinds, brass and percussion. Seasonal performance opportunities are offered throughout the year. Fees to join this great community orchestra are $25 per season/$30 for non-residents. Scholarships are available. (707) 822-7091, *cityofarcata.org/rec*

**PEACE ASSEMBLY** Theater of The Dedicated hosts the Catonsville Nine Peace Assembly at Eureka Woman's Club, 1531 J St., on Sunday, May 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. Community members will read the play *The Trial of the Catonsville Nine*, children from Redwood Coast Montessori School will sing peace songs, veterans will give testimony, high school youth will recite/read original works of poetry and a facilitator will lead an open conversation with all who attend. Childcare, snacks and non-alcoholic beverages will be available. A $5 suggested donation is asked at the door. (707) 273-2974

**EAT SO THEY CAN** The BLESD (Buikwe Local Education & Sustainability Development) Project is raising funds to send volunteers to Uganda to implement sustainability projects at a school for orphans and rural village communities. Join them on Sunday, May 17 from noon to 3 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St., Arcata for a home-cooked meal with a slide show, kid art stations and activities, a photo booth and other interactive activities. All for $10 per person. *blesd.org*

**DOG DAY AFTERNOON!** Drop by Mad River Brewing Company, 101 Taylor Way in Blue Lake, on Tuesday, May 19 for a celebration of all things dog: Hot dog specials from the kitchen, adoptable dogs from local shelters from 4 to 6 p.m. and feral jazz band DogBone rounding out the night.

❖ TEEN THEATRE ROUNDUP

## NPA's tragiromantic mashup

NORTHCOAST PREPARATORY AND PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY

ARCATA — Now that spring has settled onto the North Coast, a celebrated Humboldt County performing arts high school will present a combination of two stage productions that, perhaps more than any other, epitomize the beguiling and sometimes devastating romantic demands of spring fever.

From Thursday, May 21 through Saturday, May 23, students from Arcata's Northcoast Preparatory and Performing Arts Academy (NPA) will present *Romeo and Juliet Meets West Side Story* at the Van Duzer Theater at Humboldt State University.

Under the direction of NPA founder and former HSU Theater professor Jean Bazemore, NPA students will present a single production that combines two ancient but timeless tales of impossible love. The play is replete with the high drama one expects from Shakespeare, along the fabulous music and riveting dance of *West Side Story*.

A distinct and intentional connection between these plays allows their convergence. *West Side Story*, originally a 1957 Broadway production by Arthur Laurents, Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim, was adapted directly from *Romeo and Juliet* and carries the same themes: How does love differ from infatuation? How do we hurdle the cultural constraints that keep people apart?

The NPA production promises a rich depiction of the change in ambiance when love is present, the seduction of moonlight on the Seine and on the Pacific. As Romeo and Juliet and Riff and Maria ably remind listeners, in dialogue and song, there is an essence and joy of being in the world, of finding and even losing love, that is of the ages.

All performances start at 8 p.m. Tickets are $15/$12 for seniors and students and are available at Wildberries Marketplace and at the door.

**COASTAL GROVE THEATER FESTIVAL** Coastal Grove Charter School invites the public to a theater festival at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Thursday and Friday nights from May 21 through June 5.

The seventh grade kicks off the festival with a shortened version of Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, Thursday and Friday, May 21 and 22. The eighth grade follows with an offering of Alexandre Dumas' *The Three Musketeers*, Thursday and Friday, May 28 and 29. The sixth grade class wraps up the season Thursday and Friday, June 4 and 5 with *Give and Take*, a series of folk tales from around the world that emphasize we all have choices to make: do we give or take?

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. each night; shows begin at 6 p.m. All shows have an intermission with food and drinks available to purchase.

The festival is open to the public and benefits the Coastal Grove PTO and educational trips. Tickets are $5 to $10, sliding scale, and will be available at the door or in advance from Coastal Grove; call the office at (707) 825-8804 ext. 308.

## Mack High Theater Workshop Showcase



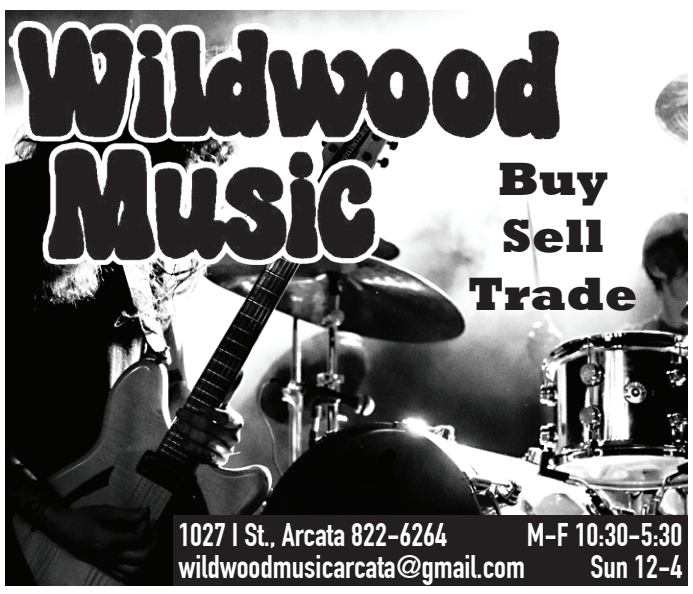

Exciting things are happening at Mack High, especially for the seniors! Saturday, May 16, is the Senior Prom, themed "Beauty and the Beast." It will be held at the Ingomar Club, so it's sure to be a spectacular event. Tickets to go to the prom are on sale until May 15.

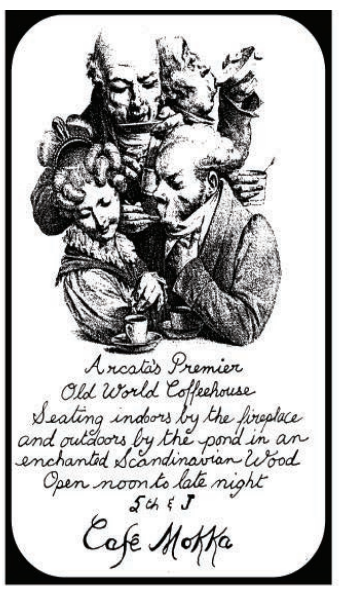
Another buzzworthy event is the Spring Advanced Theatre Workshop Showcase. Come on over to Mack High to witness the massive talent of our theatre students. Students will perform pieces that they wrote themselves as well as reenactments of hilarious sketches from Saturday Night Live and other comedies.

It is sure to be a night full of smiles and belly laughs, with pieces about Miley Cyrus and her twerking problem, an angry yoga instructor and so much more. Join us in the Multi-Purpose Room on Thursday, May 14 and Friday, May 15. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with a 7 p.m. curtain time. Tickets are $7/$5 for seniors and students. You won't want to miss the finale of the year!

## CALENDAR

| VENUE | WEDNESDAY, MAY 13 | THURSDAY, MAY 14 | FRIDAY, MAY 15 | SATURDAY, MAY 16 | SUNDAY, MAY 17 | MONDAY, MAY 18 | TUESDAY, MAY 19 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Arcata Theater Lounge**<br>1036 G St., Arcata | 6 p.m. • Sci Fi Pint & Pizza Night | | 8 p.m. • *Back to the Future* (1985) | | 7 p.m. • *Who Bombed Judi Bari?* (2012) | | |
| **Blondies Food & Drink**<br>420 E. California Ave., Arcata | 6 p.m.<br>Buddy Reed | 7 p.m.<br>Open Mic Night | | | 7 p.m.<br>Jazz Night | 7 p.m.<br>Quiz Night | 7 p.m. • Human Expression Night |
| **Blue Lake Casino**<br>777 Casino Way, Blue Lake | | 8 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard | 9 p.m.<br>TBA | 9 p.m.<br>TBA | 8 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard | | |
| **Cher-Ae Heights Casino**<br>27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad | | | 9 p.m.<br>Dr. Squid | 9 p.m.<br>Dr. Squid | 8 p.m.<br>Karaoke w/Chris Clay | | 8 p.m.<br>Karaoke w/Chris Clay |
| **Humboldt Brews**<br>856 10th St., Arcata | 8:30 p.m.<br>Tony Furtado | 8:30 p.m. • Steve Poltz & Grant-Lee Phillips | 9 p.m.<br>Soul Night #43 | 9:30 p.m.<br>Michal Menert | | | 9 p.m.<br>Trevor Hall |
| **Jambalaya**<br>915 H St., Arcata | 10 p.m.<br>WHOMP! | 10 p.m.<br>Sound Culture | 10 p.m.<br>Bump Foundation | 9 p.m. • Fresh Coast Connections w/Pep Love | 10 p.m. • Sundaze w/ Deep Groove Society | 9 p.m.<br>The GetDown Crew | 8 p.m.<br>Comedy Night |
| **Libation**<br>761 Eighth St., Arcata | | 7 p.m.<br>Claire Bent | 7 p.m.<br>TBA | 7 p.m.<br>Jim Silva | | | 7 p.m.<br>Buddy Reed |
| **Logger Bar**<br>510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake | 7 p.m.<br>Cribbage Tournament | 8 p.m.<br>Trivia Night | 9 p.m.<br>Kindred Spirits | 9 p.m.<br>Canyon Collected | 6 p.m.<br>Potluck dinner | all day<br>Free pool | all day<br>Ping pong |
| **Mad River Brewing Co.**<br>101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake | 6 p.m.<br>Piet Dalmolen | 6 p.m.<br>The Undercovers | 6 p.m.<br>1995 | 6 p.m. • Jenni & David and the Sweet Soul Band | | | 6 p.m.<br>Dogbone |
| **Redwood Curtain Brewery**<br>550 South G St., Arcata | all day<br>Pints for Nonprofits | 8 p.m. • Mind Wanderer live broadcast | 8 p.m. • RLA Trio w/ Paula Jones | 8 p.m.<br>Anna Hamilton | | 7 p.m.<br>Cornhole Night | |
| **Six Rivers Brewery**<br>1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville | | | 9 p.m.<br>USGGO | 9 p.m.<br>Dubbadubs | 8 p.m.<br>Trivia Night | 8 p.m.<br>Karaoke with DJ Marv | 7:30 p.m. • Sunny Brae Jazz Collective |









# Scene

## New Queen to rule the Universe



**FOR THE GLORY** 2003 Rutabaga Queen Jane with Glorious Founder Hobart Brown. SUBMITTED PHOTO

**Queen Jane**

SPECIAL TO THE UNION

ARCATA – In season three, episode 27 of the television sitcom *Green Acres*, the small town of Hooterville discovers the soil is ideal for planting rutabagas. The surplus from the harvest inspires the community to come up with a revenue raising event. Mr. Ziffel calls CBS to film The Rutabaga Bowl Parade and Newt Kiley gets Sophia Loren to agree to be the Rutabaga Queen.

In Humboldt County, we have our own celebration starring Hooterville's cash crop. It's called The Rutabaga Ball where each year, a newly crowned Rutabaga Queen is chosen to serve the Kinetic Kingdom. While *Green Acres* was not visionary Hobart Brown's inspiration for the Kinetic version of a vegetable monarch, Brown clearly knew rutabagas are gloriously worthy of such status: Rutabagas are high in Vitamin C, an excellent source of potassium and manganese and provide a cast of anti-oxidant, immune building nutrients. Wow.

The Queen is crowned one week before the Kinetic Grand Championship. This year's Queen will be expected to be at various locations throughout the race, exuding glory, engaging spectators, supporting the racers and overseeing the overall pandemonium that is evident throughout the race.

Anyone can run for Rutabaga Queen (keep in mind, however, this a family-friendly event). While the deadline for this year's pageant has passed, interested candidates should visit *rutabagaqueen.com* to download the application and learn about duties and expectations. Applicants are judged by a covey of Queens.

At the Rutabaga Ball, there are three main focus areas in which the Queen candidates must participate:

• The first round begins with a question in need of answering; evening gown attire is the usual fashion statement for this portion of the event.

• The second round is the bay crossing; contestants are given creative freedom to interpret the attire necessary for day two of the race. Incorporating drama with entertainment value is a nice accessory to this requirement.

• The third, talent, portion is wide open, but song, dance and spoken word are some of the ways contestants have shown other Queens they are worthy to reign.

Throughout the event, creativity, imagination and humor are key elements for success. Presence, bling and really cool bribes are mandatory. Bribes are something that are given out throughout the entire race but are most influential at the ball. Bribes are used to show respect and worthiness to the juried panel of Queens and should be more creative than expensive. After all; you can't buy a Rutabaga Crown.

This year's Rutabaga Ball will celebrate the life and times of the late Queen Pigtunia Swineheart (Rutabaga Queen 1984 and '85). A tragic loss for the Kinetic Kingdom, Pigtunia was the only individual to have boasted two reigning crowns. Also known as Miss Snip, Pigtunia was a Kinetic icon advocating for the spaying and neutering programs in our area. Pigtunia's family will sponsor auction items that will benefit the new location of the Kinetic Museum. There will also be an opportunity to donate to The Spay and Neuter Program.

Hobart Brown started the mantra, "Once a Queen always a Queen." Meet, and even become, one of Humboldt's most prestigious and glorious people on Saturday, May 16 at Redwood Raks in the Old Creamery Building in Arcata. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m., with all the music, libations and all the glory you can possibly take in. Admission is $10/$7 if you bring your own drinking cup.




**ARCATA ARTS INSTITUTE**

ARCATA – Join the Arcata Arts Institute (AAI) for FLOW, the premier fashion event of the year, at the Arcata Theater Lounge, 1036 G St., on Saturday, May 23.

This unique event is the culminating showcase for students in the AAI Fashion Design program, which provides young designers the opportunity to design and create original clothing designs.

This year, nine student designers have worked throughout the school year on runway-worthy garments, under the instruction of master pattern drafters Renee Thompson and Margaret Uemeura. Each designer will present their clothing line of three to six outfits, with student models walking the runway.

A reception follows the runway event, allowing guests to meet the designers and see the garments on models up close. The evening is a benefit for the AAI program.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. The event begins at 8 p.m. Advance tickets are $25/$20 for students at Hot Knots, 898 G St., Arcata, or $30 at the door.

The Arcata Arts Institute is a "school within a school" for advanced art study at Arcata High. AAI offers a unique balance of tradition and innovation. The Institute community is committed to expanding boundaries and vision through rigorous study. *artsinstitute.net*

**HSU FILMMAKERS SHOWCASE** The Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, hosts the second annual HSU Filmmaker's Showcase on Friday, May 15 at 8 p.m. The screening includes original fiction and documentary short films produced and directed by Film II and Filmmaking IV students. Featured films include four documentaries exploring the topic of food sovereignty in our community through the stories of four local organic food producers. Film has recently been added as one of HSU's official majors. Steeped within the traditions of independent filmmaking, students learn the fundamentals of fiction and non-fiction film production techniques. Film major students engage in hands-on production work with film studies grounded in a liberal arts education that fosters ethical storytellers who artfully explore the human condition in creative ways.

## NCRT explores teen angst in *Spring Awakening*

**NCRT**

EUREKA – The North Coast Repertory Theatre continues its 31st season with the musical *Spring Awakening,* with book and lyrics by Steven Sater and music by Duncan Sheik.

Winner of eight Tony Awards, including Best Musical, *Spring Awakening* is a rock musical adaptation of Frank Wedekind's 1891 expressionist play about the trials and tribulations, and the exhilaration, of the teen years. The play explores the confusion and desperation that ensue when the onrushing tide of hormones meets the ignorance of children.

The production is directed by Andrea Zvaleko, who describes the production as being "about a group of teenagers living in 19th century rural Germany. It tells the story of their emerging sexual maturity amidst the oppression of their parents, teachers and clergy. Contemporary rock music is used to express the inner lives of these kids. Anyone who has ever struggled with the trials of growing up will relate to this show in some way."

The cast includes Jessie Rawson, Chris Hamby, Chris Moreno, Sonia Copple, Haley Katz, Kahvi Garret, Jo Kuzelka, Nur Pratama, Ethan Frank, Tyler Elwell, Cara O'Doniel and Jeremy Webb. Music direction is by Jonathan Webster. Scenery design is by Liz Uhazy; lighting design by Suzanne Ross-Kohl; and costume design by Jenneveve Hood. Sara Krause stage-manages the production.

*Spring Awakening* opens Thursday, May 21 at 8 p.m. with an opening night gala that includes a champagne reception after the show. This performance will also serve as a benefit for the cast and crew. All seats for opening night are $18. The performance on Friday, May 22, benefits the Ryan House and Garden; tickets are $20.

The performance on Saturday, May 23 benefits Humboldt Unitarian Universalist Fellowship; tickets are $20. Regular ticket price of $18 for all seats begins on Friday, May 29.

The run continues Fridays and Saturdays through June 20, with one additional regular Thursday performance on June 18. All evening performances begin at 8 p.m. There will be three Sunday matinee performances at 2 p.m. on May 31, June 7 and 14. The play is intended for high school age or older. NCRT is located at 300 Fifth St., Eureka. For reservations, group rates or more information, call (707) 442-NCRT (6278). *ncrt.net*

### Medley

Why is love complete
when we dream,
incomplete when we wake?

As the rain subsides
to a trickle,
an owl hoos.
It is solitude
made tangible.

By no means
is it only the cat
curiosity kills.
Innocence is
its principal victim.

*– Paul Mann*


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**On The House...**

Joanie and John Frederick
**HOME STAGING IS IMPORTANT**
Home staging is becoming increasingly important to home sellers. The term refers to making the appearance of the home more appealing to prospective buyers.
"Reducing clutter and rearranging existing furniture is an important part of staging," said Dana Dickey, vice director of Interior Redesign Industry Specialists, an organization for interior redesigners and home stagers. "It's a fairly simple process and very cost-effective. Homeowners I work with are amazed at how the look of their home can dramatically improve with a little assistance. We want to give each home that 'wow' factor, especially in today's housing market. Home buyers largely make their final decision based on emotional factors. It's important that a house make a good first impression," she said.
Owners can begin to stage their home by approaching their property as though seeing it for the first time. With a little rearranging, most "sore spots" can be made into attractive features that will help sell the home.
For professional advice on all aspects of buying or selling real estate, call Joanie Frederick, Broker, Azalea Realty, (707) 362-0144, or check out our website at www.azalearealty.com
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*McKinleyville Art Night!*
**Friday, May 15 ~ 6:00 ~ 8:00 pm**
*McKinleyville Art Night* will be Friday, May 15th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm.
Join us for our community's celebration of local art and artists for music, food and fun. You can find more information about the artists and venues and see additional images online at **www.mckinleyvilleartsnight.com**.

*at the Airport:*
EUREKA–ARCATA AIRPORT
*View artwork by Humboldt County artists at the new long term exhibit coordinated by the Redwood Art Association. The show includes art by Micki Flatmo, Allison Curtis, Andrei Hedstrom, Rachel Shclueter, Augustus Clark, Scott Hemphill & Anna Sofia Amezcua.*

*Central Avenue West:*
CHURCH OF THE JOYFUL HEALER *(1944 Central Ave.)*
**Special Event:** *Joyful Healer will be hosting a tree themed show with water colors and photography by Evelyn Wiebe-Anderson and Terry Sue Myers.*
NORTH COAST FROZEN YOGURT
*(McKinleyville Shopping Center)*
**Earl Stevens:** *Intarsia (inlaid patterns on the surface of wood and other objects)*
**Special Event:** *"Mack Arts" show featuring work by McKinleyville High School Arts Students.*

*Central Avenue East:*
BLAKE'S BOOKS *(2005 Central Ave.)*
**Tina Gleave:** *fine art paintings on silk*
**Musical Guest:** *Harry Smith, jazz keyboard*
**Special Event:** *Silk painting demo by Tina Gleave during the Arts Night reception!*

*Hiller Road:*
McKINLEYVILLE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
*(1450 Hiller Rd.)*
**Special Event:** *The McKinleyville Family Resource Center would like to invite the community to join us for Children's Mental Health Day. Join us for a free dinner and story time with special guests Jeanine Lancaster, from Humboldt County Library, and Michael Davies –Hughes form McKinleyville Union School District. Story time will be followed by an interactive art project. Information about Mental Health services available to families in McKinleyville will be available.*
GRACE GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH *(1450 Hiller Rd.)*
**Geoff Werronen:** *illustrations and paintings*
**Special Event:** *Live music and refreshments during Arts Night! From 6:00–6:30 pm, enjoy select pieces from the Church's Hand Bell Choir. From 6:30–8:30 pm, there will be music by Lynn Hubbard and Craig Lemster (a tribute to Glen Campbell and original compositions)*

*McKinleyville Art Night!*
***Meet the artists during McKinleyville Art Night!***
*McKinleyville Art Night* continues to be the third Friday of each month and is open for all McKinleyville businesses to display the work of our local artists. For more information, contact coordinator Taffy Stockton at (707) 834-6460.

# Vouchers help seniors care for sick pets

Pets are important parts of the lives of many people, but not everyone with a beloved furry companion has the money to care for them, especially in emergency medical situations. Companion Animal Foundation recently partnered with Humboldt Area Foundation to help seniors on particularly limited incomes care for their sick animals.




The grant offers vouchers up to $200 to help with the cost of veterinary care for sick pets. It does not pay for vaccines; seniors are welcome to attend CAF's Senior Day of Caring in spring 2016 to help with those costs. CAF uses discretion in issuing vouchers in order to ensure that households in the greatest need receive assistance. Please visit the CAF thrift store for more info and to get a voucher.

To learn more about CAF and other programs, visit the thrift store at 88 Sunny Brae Center in Arcata, email *cafanimals@gmail.com*, visit *cafanimals.org*, check out Companion Animal Foundation on Facebook or call (707) 826-PETS (7387).



**FLOWER CHILD** Basil is still looking for a home! Visit her at the Sunny Brae thrift store adoption room. SUBMITTED PHOTO

## ❖ ANIMAL NEWS

**Looking for a kitty? Seeking a new home for your yak? Did your steer win a ribbon? Share the news! Submit animal news to *animals@madriverunion.com*.**

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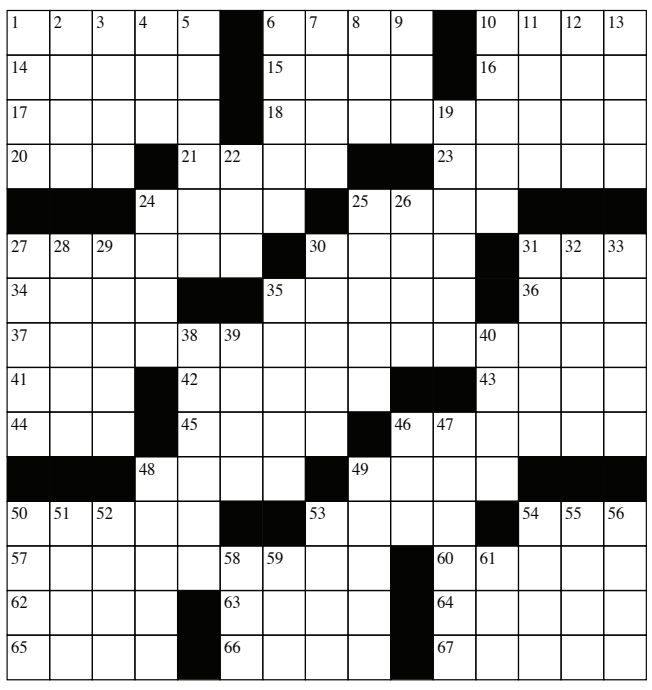
## CROSSWORD

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35. __ acid
36. Up to the time that, for short
37. 1977 Bancroft/ MacLaine movie
41. Rose Kennedy's youngest
42. Buckets
43. Before: pref.
44. Conjunctions
45. Plum variety
46. Man of the cloth
48. Hammer part
49. Civil wrong
50. Dazzling display
53. Desertlike
54. New Testament bk.
57. Board game
60. Omit a syllable in speech
62. Multitude
63. Sign
64. Adamant refusal
65. Makes a choice
66. Difficult situation
67. Minute

**DOWN**

1. Young animal
2. Acting award
3. Word with punch or waist
4. Elegant poem
5. Lease signer
6. Sat for an artist
7. Vermin
8. Boston Bruin Bobby
9. Pretty __ picture
10. Bird of prey
11. __ Guthrie
12. Observed
13. Biblical weed
19. Fast pace
22. Wrath
24. Search
25. Principal electrical lines
26. Ending for duck or earth
27. Fight
28. Old anesthetic
29. Certain collegians
30. Facial expression
31. Restrict to a scanty amount
32. Bean variety
33. Make changes in
35. Negatively charged atom
38. Surprising game results
39. Abnormal chest sound
40. Oven
46. Fermented taro root
47. Passionate
48. Histories
49. General tendency
50. Resound
51. Cut up
52. For fear that
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54. Split
55. Early garden
56. Muy or très
58. Soft lump
59. Chum at the école
61. Mr. Trevino

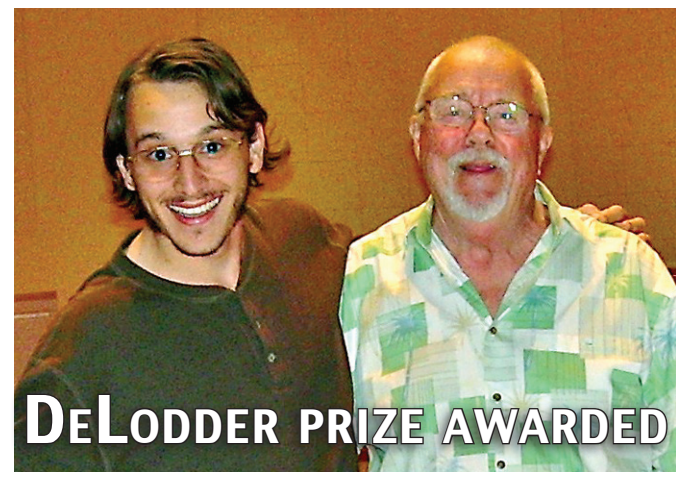


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**THE GIFT OF READING** The McKinleyville Kiwanis Club celebrated the 100th anniversary of the International Founding group by collecting and donating over 100 books to the Morris School library. Librarian Marika Myrick, left, was delighted to accept the donation from Kiwanis member Donna Extey. SUBMITTED PHOTO




**COMPOSER RECOGNIZED** HSU student Michael Donovan, left, was awarded the $1,000 prize in the John W. DeLodder music composition competition on May 4 in Fulkerson Recital Hall. Donovan's winning entry was a composition titled "Walled City." Humboldt resident John DeLodder, right, created the competition in conjunction with the HSU Music Department. DeLodder presented the award to Donovan at the HSU composers read-through recital. Although this spring's winner is a music composition student, the competition is open to all HSU students every semester. SUBMITTED PHOTO

# Music and memorials




Trinidad Civic Club's 20th annual Memorial Ceremony will take place Sunday, May 24 at 2 p.m. at the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse grounds located on Edwards at Trinity Street. The ceremony honors those who have died at sea or were buried at sea whose names are engraved at the site.

Participants in this year's program are Matthew Marshall playing bagpipes; McKinleyville Scout Troop #99 and Girl Scouts Redwood Service Unit leading the flag raising and Pledge of Allegiance; Liz Thatcher, Trinidad Civic Club co-president; the Rev. Dr. Susan Armstrong, Christ Episcopal Church, Eureka; vocalist Dee Hemingway; U.S. Coast Guard Chief Damian Meyer BMC; Mayor Julie Fulkerson ringing the historic brass fog bell; Janine Volkmar reading memorial names and Matthew Brogdon, saxophonist, playing "Taps." Dana Hope will be mistress of ceremonies.

Sun Valley Floral Farms is providing flowers along with Lena Macy's wreath committee. Eric Hann of Ceremony Sound provides the sound system.

The community is invited to attend the ceremony, which is about 40 minutes in length. Chairs are not provided.

### Travel to the Northwest Passage

The Trinidad Library Travel Series will feature a free presentation by experienced voyagers Jim and Virginia Waters to the Northwest Passage on Thursday, May 21 at 7 p.m., at the Trinidad Library.

### Fourth Friday Flicks

*Ace in the Hole* (1951) directed by Billy Wilder and starring Kirk Douglas as a cynical newspaper reporter will be shown at Westhaven Center for the Arts (WCA), 501 South Westhaven Dr., on Friday, May 22 at 7 p.m., with a $5 suggested donation. Refreshments will be available.

### Friction String Quartet

WCA presents the Friction Quartet performing Haydn, Beethoven, Gershwin, Adams and Eric Tran spanning three centuries of music on Saturday, May 23 at 7 p.m. Admission is $10 or more by suggested donation.



**SURF SAFE** The Trinidad School Surf Club receives instruction on ocean safety from Keven Harder, a Patrick's Point ranger and Dillon Cleavenger, a Southern California lifeguard. The Surf Club is available to Trinidad School students who pass a swim test. Wetsuits, booties, surf boards and boogie boards are provided. The Surf Club meets in the fall and the spring to surf beaches like Moonstone and Trinidad State Beach. For information, contact Michelle Hasselquist at *hassel@asis.com*. SUBMITTED PHOTO

### Shadow Puppetry

Sean Powers will teach a Shadow Puppet Workshop at WCA on Saturday, May 30 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The workshop is suitable for all ages from 4 to adult.

Sean will perform a live puppet show set to live music followed by music by the Moonstone Mystery Band from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., also on May 30.

The $20 admission fee includes the workshop and performance. For reservations, call (707) 822-2419.

While you enjoy all of the above entertainments, allow time to view the new Annual Membership Show which opened last weekend and continues through June 28.

WCA is open for painting and fitness classes and art and music in progress Friday through Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Call (707) 677-9493 for information.

### Ocean Month

Watch for the student and staff Ocean Parade on Wednesday, May 20. It's part of a month-long schedule of tidepool field trips, beach clean-up, guest lecturers and class projects relating to marine life studies at Trinidad School. The entire school participates. Call (707) 677-3631 for details.

*Email Patti at* baycity@sonic.net

# You must meet this petite Dogue de Bordeaux

Is this a face of great beauty or a face only a mother could love? Either way that you look at her, this is a special dog.

Autumn, a 1-year-old spayed female, is a Dogue de Bordeaux mix.




The Dogue de Bordeaux, also known as a French Mastiff, is one of the most ancient French dog breeds. They are known for being exceptionally loyal and affectionate and Autumn is no exception to that rule. She has some beautiful leash manners and seems happy to just be out for a walk with a friend.

Autumn was gentle and patient when meeting a 2-year-old child. Though not yet cat-tested, we think this friendly dog would be an easy trainee for learning to live with a cat.




Autumn differs from the Bordeaux breed standard in one significant respect. Where the average Bordeaux female weighs well over a hundred pounds, this petite version weighs in at half that. She is everything one would want from Bordeaux without the heft or the traditional drooling! You can meet this special dog at the Humboldt County Shelter, located at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville, near the airport. More info is available at (707) 840-9132.

One of my favorite shelter dogs is still waiting for her forever home, possibly as a result of her initial shyness around new people. Freya is a 2-year-old Akita mix and is such a lovely dog. She loves people and just needs a chance to warm up to show off her cuddly side. She is always so happy to see her favorite volunteers coming to take her out! This is a dog that would give you a big happy welcome at the end of your work day.

Freya is a gentle dog who can walk nicely on the leash. She has become bolder with some of her shelter mates and initiates play behavior when she sees them. She has a special place in her heart for her boy pals Grover and Nacho. I hope that someone reading this will give Freya a chance to get acquainted and show off her special charms! Freya is also at the County Shelter; info listed above.




If you would like to help a shelter or rescue dog but aren't in a position to foster or adopt, there are a few things these pups could use. The holidays are now five months behind us and many of the goodies donated then have been used up.

The shelter can always use dog and cat treats and toys, peanut butter for stuffing Kongs, pill pockets for medications, 6-foot leashes, fleece blankets or donations to the shelter's Emergency Medical Fund. Donations can be dropped off at the shelter on weekdays or Redwood Pals Rescue can arrange a pick-up if that is more convenient. Redwood Pals Rescue can be reached at *redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com*.

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# HSU students win top honors at research competition

**Humboldt State**

SAN BERNARDINO – Humboldt State University students won top honors at the 29th annual California State Uuniversity (CSU) Student Research Competition.

Nathan Graham, Madelinn Schriver, Haley du Bois, Sylvia Nicovich, Joao Paulo De Sordi Curti and Jairo Luque Villanueva — picked as this year's HSU's Outstanding Student Researchers — were selected to represent HSU at the research competition and gave oral presentations on their projects. Three won first place and two won second in their group categories at the event on May 1 and 2, at CSU San Bernardino.

"They exemplify the excellence of HSU students by being prepared, professional, and passionate about their topics," said Rhea Williamson, Dean of Humboldt State's Office of Research, Economic and Community Development (ORECD).

Williamson also lauded the students' advisors. "They take an interest in integrating research into undergraduate education. They're also committed to quality student research, and dedicated to student mentorship and guidance."

Here is a list of students, their projects, and faculty advisors:

• Biological and Agricultural Sciences (Graduate) Second Place: Madelinn Schriver, Forestry & Wildland Resources, for "Establishment and Growth Patterns of Oregon White Oak and California Black Oak Woodlands in Northwestern California," advised by Rosemary Sherriff, associate professor and chair, Geography.

• Biological and Agricultural Sciences (Undergraduate) First Place: Haley du Bois, Biological Sciences, for "Dissecting the Role of MAPK Signaling in the Tumor Promoting Properties of Lethal Giant Larvae 1 (Lgl1) in Primary Neural Progenitor/Stem Cells," advised by Amy Sprowles, assistant professor, Biological Sciences.

• Humanities and Letters, Creative Arts and Design, and Interdisciplinary (Graduate and Undergraduate)First Place: Joao Paulo de Sordi Curti (Undergraduate), Forestry & Wildland Resources, for his Interactive Trails Map, advised by John-Pascal Berrill, professor, Forestry & Wildland Resources.

• Engineering and Computer Science (Undergraduate) Second Place: Jairo Luque Villanueva, Environmental Resources Engineering, for "Forward Osmosis-Direct Contact Membrane Distillation Sewer Mining Waste to Resource System," advised by Andrea Achilli, assistant professor, Environmental Resources Engineering.

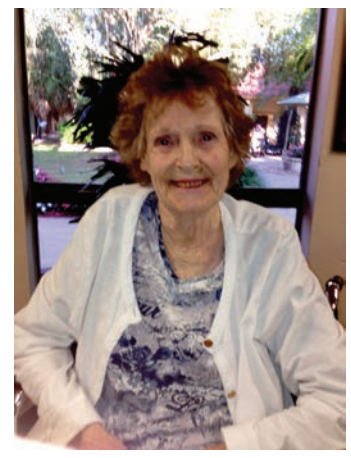
• Physical and Mathematical Sciences (Undergraduate) First Place: Nathan Graham, Geology, for "Determining Magma Mixing Duration and Dynamics Through Analysis of Reaction Rims on Olivine Crystals in Natural Samples of Black Dacite From the 1915 Eruption of Lassen Peak, CA," advised by Brandon Browne, lecturer, Geology.

Engineering and Computer Science (Graduate) Nominee: Sylvia Nicovich, Geology, for "Latest Pleistocene to Holocene River Terrace Deformation within the Southeastern Extent of the Little Salmon Fault Zone, Van Duzen River, Northern California," advised by Mark Hemphill-Haley, professor and chair, Geology.

The annual competition promotes excellence in undergraduate and graduate scholarly research and creative activity by recognizing outstanding student accomplishments throughout the 23 campuses of the CSU system.

First place winners received $500; second place winners received $250. More than 250 CSU students presented 200 research projects. Judges included experts from corporations, foundations, public agencies, and colleges and universities.

## Celebration of Life



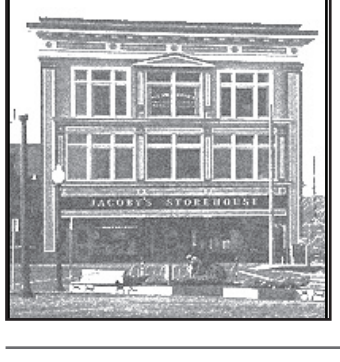
A Celebration of Life for Geneva (Williams) LaBahn will be held on Saturday, May 30, at Grace Good Shepherd Church, 1450 Hiller Rd., McKinleyville, starting at 2:30 p.m. and continuing until 4:30 p.m.

We will display photos (1927-2015) from throughout mom's life, hear some of her favorite dance music from the '40s, sing hymns mom requested and share memories of this wonderful woman. A catered lunch will be served, with lots of the chocolate mom loved.

To help us celebrate mom's long and lovely life, please dress comfortably and colorfully. Children are especially welcome. They reassure all of us that life does, indeed, go on. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Kay LaBahn at *kjl3@humboldt.edu* or call (707) 616-9210.

**MED ASSIST INFO** College of the Redwoods Community Education offers a free informational meeting for all people interested in learning more about attending classes to become a certified medical assistant. Medical Assisting class starts Aug. 17, so people who are interested are asked to attend the meeting today, May 13 from 3 to 5 p.m. at CR's Eureka Downtown Site, 525 D St., Eureka to learn about the program. CR offers Medical Assisting in addition to its other Health Occupations programs. The Medical Assisting class will cover skills for both front office and back office work and will include basic patient care, EKGs, injection and venipuncture and more. Experience in medical assisting can provide entrance into other health care related careers. The 14-week class will include classroom training, laboratory practice and a clinical externship in a local healthcare facility. Upon successful completion of the class, students will sit for the national medical assisting examination. After achieving national certification, graduates will be able to work in medical offices and other healthcare facilities. Information about the Medical Assisting Informational Meeting is available at *redwoods.edu*, in the Community Education link or call (707) 476-4500.

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**LIEN SALE**
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell a 20 ft 1971 Kit travel trailer, Vin # 1900SC2662, license # HI9152, CA registration. The auction will take place at Trinidad Self Storage, 380 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad, CA on May 20th at 10 am. Starting bid $1.00, registration expired 9/2014. 5/13

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ANDREW KROEMER**
**CASE NO.: PR150117**
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: ANDREW KROEMER aka ANDREAS KROEMER
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: DENISE KROEMER in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: DENISE KROEMER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: JUNE 11, 2015
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Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. Yoiu may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petittion or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner:
JEANNE GALE
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(707) 269-0167
5/13, 5/20, 5/27

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME DERRICK CARL ANDREWS SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**
**CASE NO. CV150272**
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner DERRICK CARL ANDREWS has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: DERRICK CARL ANDREWS to Proposed name RATA BEY MENIOOH.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: JUNE 15, 2015
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8
3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: APR. 30, 2015
DALE A. REINHOLTSEN
Judge of the Superior Court
5/13, 5/20, 5/57, 6/3

**CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294**
**Case Name: SEQUOIA HARE**
**Case No.: JV150039**
1. To Elizabeth Rose Corpany and anyone claiming to be a parent of Sequoia Shawna Elizabeth Hare born on 2/9/2015 at wooded area, 3300 Broadway, Eureka, Humboldt County, California.
2. A hearing will be held on August 3, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.
3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.
4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.
5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you.
6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.
7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.
ATTORNEY FOR:
CHILD WELFARE SERVICES
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KATIE BACA, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #188031
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 445-7236
DATE: MAY 6, 2015
Clerk, by Kerri L. Keenan, Deputy
5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3

**CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1440**
I hereby certify that at a special meeting held on May 5, 2015, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1440, summarized below, *An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending Chapter 3.5 of Title V of the Arcata Municipal Code, to Prohibit the Use of Expanded Polystyrene, Disposable Food Service Ware and to Encourage the Use of Compostable, Recyclable and Reusable Food Ware, Title V—Sanitation and Health, Chapter 3.5—Carry-out Bag Waste Reduction*, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1440 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Winkler, Pitino, Ornelas, Pereira, Wheetley. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory,
City Clerk, City of Arcata
**Summary of Ordinance No. 1440**
If adopted, this ordinance will phase-out the use of Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) foam food service ware at restaurants, food service establishments or providers, City facilities, City co-sponsored or permitted events, and retail stores within the City of Arcata. The prohibitions will be effective beginning October 1, 2015. The purpose is to protect the natural environment from non-biodegradable litter, reduce solid waste and promote public health.
The full text of Ordinance No. 1440 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Ordinance No. 1440 may be considered for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Arcata City Council to be held on May 20, 2015, and, if adopted at that time, will take effect June 19, 2015.
Bridget Dory,
City Clerk, City of Arcata
5/13

**CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1458**
I hereby certify that at a special meeting held on May 5, 2015, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1458, summarized below, *An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending Arcata Municipal Code Title IX—Land Use Code, Section 9.12.020, Zoning Map, to Prezone the 2212 Jacoby Creek Road as Commercial Mix (CM) with Special Considerations—Commercial (:SCC)*, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1458 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Winkler, Pitino, Ornelas, Pereira, Wheetley. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory,
City Clerk, City of Arcata
**Summary of Ordinance No. 1458**
If adopted, this ordinance will amend the City's zoning map to prezone the property at 2212 Jacoby Creek Road as Commercial Mixed with Special Considerations—Commercial Combining Zone (CM:SCC).
The full text of Ordinance No. 1458 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Ordinance No. 1458 may be considered for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Arcata City Council to be held on May 20, 2015, and, if adopted at that time, will take effect June 19, 2015.
Bridget Dory,
City Clerk, City of Arcata
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**TRACT TRAILERS** Nineteen volunteers from the Volunteer Trail Stewards helped to finish the Watertank Trail section of the Arcata Ridge Trail at the April 25 volunteer event. Volunteers rehabilitated and scattered "downed branches" on 150 lineal feet of old skid trail and wheel barrowed 10 cubic yards of crushed rock to armor the top 250 lineal feet of the trail. Maureen McGarry from A1AA and RSVP and Mary Caulderwood and Marge provided food to the volunteers. The next volunteer trail workday will be Saturday, May 23 to rock armor the SF Janes Loop trail located on the Samuels property adjacent to the Arcata Community Forest. Partnering groups will be Volunteer Trail Stewards, Redwood Empire Endurance Riders and the Backcountry Horsemen Association. PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION & MAUREEN MCGARRY | RSVP

**AUDUBON MONTHLY MEETING** Redwood Region Audubon Society holds its monthly conservation meeting today, May 13 at the Golden Harvest Restaurant, 1062 G St., Arcata, at noon. This meeting will focus on a letter to be sent to the Board of Supervisors regarding a cannabis cultivation ordinance. (707) 445-8311

**BIGFOOT KLAMATH FLORA** The California Native Plant Society (CNPS) invites the public to "The Bigfoot Trail: a Celebration of Klamath Mountain Flora," today, May 13 at 7:30 p.m. at Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd., near Seventh and Union streets in Arcata. The Bigfoot Trail travels 360 miles across the Klamath Mountains, from the subalpine slopes of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness, to the temperate rainforest in Crescent City. Michael Kauffmann, the trail's originator, will take you on a photographic hike, celebrating the common and rare plants and 32 species of conifers. A map and description of the trail will be available for sale, with a portion of the proceeds going to North Coast CNPS. Visit *bigfoottrail.org* to preview the route. Doors open at 7 p.m. (707) 822-2015, *northcoastcnps.org*

**BIKE TO WORK DAY** Thursday, May 14 is Bike to Work Day in Arcata. Kick off the day at the North Coast Co-op's morning energizer station, where cyclists wearing helmets will get free hot drinks, snacks and mini bike tune-ups from 7 to 9 a.m. Then join the crowd on two wheels for a rally at noon on the Arcata Plaza. Meet fellow cyclists, enter free prize drawings, learn bike safety skills, and show community support for the bicycle as a fun and inexpensive transportation choice. Visit *humbike.org* to learn about other Bike Month events throughout May.

**NHM OPEN HOUSE** HSU's Natural History Museum hosts an open house on Friday, May 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. at 1242 G St., Arcata (across from Wildberries). Admission is free. Enjoy wine, food and a silent auction. Tthe gift store will be open with ten percent off all purchases for HSU 2015 graduates. (707) 826-4479, *natmus@humboldt.edu*

**ALL ABOUT ANTS** Learn about ant behavior on Friday, May 15 starting at 7:30 p.m. Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free public lecture by John Helie at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center on South G Street. Helie is an HSU behavioral science graduate who studied thatch ant *(Formica rufa)* mounds in the late 1970s and early '80s. His particular interest is in how these superorganism mounds, which are found in many areas in Humboldt County, control their temperature. For more information or to guarantee a seat, call (707) 826-2359.

**AUDUBON MARSH TOUR** Redwood Region Audubon Society sponsors a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, May 16. Bring binoculars and have a great morning birding. Meet leader Larry Karsteadt in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

**WATERFRONT BIRDING** Accompany Redwood Region Audubon Society Sunday, May 17 on a field trip to the Eureka Waterfront. Meet leader Ralph Bucher at 9 a.m. at the foot of Del Norte Street, where participants will scope birds from the dock. Attendees will then drive to the trailhead at Truesdale Street and bird along the trail through the Elk River Wildlife Sanctuary. (707) 499-1247, *thebook@reninet.com*

**NATURE CENTER WORK** Volunteers are needed to join the Trail Stewards in maintaining and upgrading the trails at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila on Saturday, May 16 from 9 a.m. to noon. Gloves, tools and snacks will be provided. Dress for the weather, rain or shine, wear closed-toed shoes and bring drinking water. (707) 444-1397, *info@friendsofthedunes.org*

**SIERRA CLUB DUNES HIKE** The North Group Sierra Club invites children and their parents to a walk in the Ma-le'l Dunes Cooperative Management Area in Manila on Saturday, May 16 at 10 a.m. This easy 1.5 mile hike is in the sand dunes and features a coastal dune forest. Wear sturdy shoes and bring liquids and a lunch. Meet at Ma-le'l Dunes parking area: Take Samoa Blvd (S.R. 255), turn onto Young Lane, make a left and follow signs to parking lot; park near restroom. Rain cancels. (707) 268-8767

**RN&SP VOLUNTEERING** Redwood National and State Parks hosts an information and orientation meeting for individuals interested in volunteering at the visitor centers and on trails Saturday, May 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Thomas Kuchel Visitor Center, one mile south of Orick off U.S. Highway 101. After a brief discussion of volunteer possibilities and duties, hike a trail to observe the other half of volunteering. Wear good footwear, dress in layers, and bring water and food. (707) 465-7762

**FOAM MARSH TOUR** Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, May 16 at 2 p.m. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

**SCRAP HUMBOLDT ORIENTATION** Help make the community more sustainable! As a nonprofit creative reuse center, volunteers are essential to the services that SCRAP Humboldt offers. Attend SCRAP's monthly Volunteer Orientation Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m. and learn about this dynamic, growing organization, located at 101 H St. Arcata. *scraphumboldt.org/volunteer*

**NATURE CENTER VOLUNTEERING** Love gardening? Friends of the Dunes seeks volunteers to help maintain the native landscaping around the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane, Manila on Wednesday, May 20 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Help with weeding on the green roof is especially needed. Volunteers will be trained to recognize native and non-native plants, and can then come out during times that best fit their schedule. Bring gloves if you have them and come dressed for the weather. (707) 444-1397, *info@friendsofthedunes.org*